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Karl Abt autographs his book, which is about his time as a World War II U.S. interrogator, while he engages in conversation with fellow Antioch resident Wayne Blanchette. Abt spoke on Oct. 26 to the Lakes Area Historical Society about his war experience.

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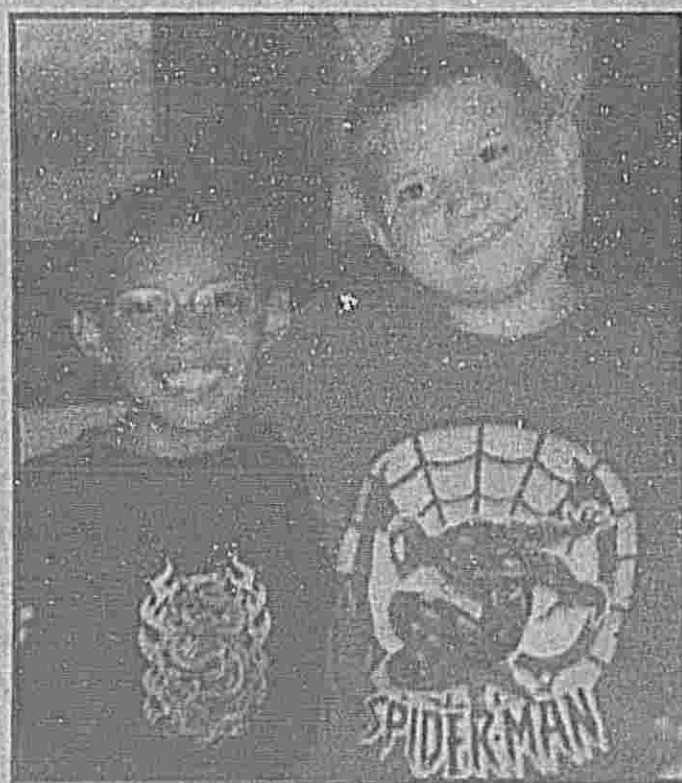
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INGLESIDE: DISTRICT 38

Big Hollow tax bid comes down to wire

By STEVE PETERSON
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INGLESIDE - Fourteen residents turned out Monday to learn the details of Big Hollow District 38's proposed \$1.35 tax increase.

"With no commercial [tax base], it is like we are buying a school district," resident Rich Parent said.

If the referendum fails, school officials said, expenses will be cut by increasing class sizes to 30, 40 or even 50 students.

The building boom in the western Lake County district - serving Volo, Lakemoor, Round Lake and Fox Lake - is expected to last five years. Enrollment is expected to grow to more than 2,200 students. Capacity at the Fish Lake campus is about 2,400, Superintendent Ron Pazanin said.

The district this year added 10 teaching positions. Still, class sizes exceed 30 students in third through sixth grades.

Enrollment growth does bring in more state aid. But at 40 students a class, it brings the

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D-38, D-120 referenda: Yes

If only because school financing is so seriously flawed in Illinois, we support the increased rate in Big Hollow and Mundelein school districts. We understand, however, that public pleadings for cash by local school officials are only short-term fixes. At some point, voters must insist that the Illinois Legislature overhaul the state's outdated tax system and, with it, fix the funding of public education.

expected deficit in 2011-12 to \$20.3 million, and \$30.4 million in 2012. School officials have said that if they do not need the full amount of the levy sought in the referendum, it will not be spent.

One resident said she recently learned of the referendum through an antitax group. She said the referendum was

"very aggressive."

Sue Bertrand, of PMA Financial Consultants, said the collar county tax cap has limited the amount the district can take in since 1991, she said.

"We expect the growth of the district to continue at 6 percent a year in [equalized assessed value]," Bertrand said. "You are entitled to new [assessed value] growth and 5 percent limit or the [consumer price index], which we project to be 3.5 percent for 2007-11."

If approved, the increase would bring the district close to a balanced budget, Bertrand said. The tax increase would be in effect for four years.

Residential land accounts for \$29.5 million, farm \$1.5 million, commercial \$29.8 million, and industrial \$14.9 million of the levy. Also, the state has passed the Balanced Budget Act, which requires a balanced budget or a plan to handle deficits.

Two residents at a school open house, who are teachers elsewhere, said they would support the tax increase, "because it is anything for the students."

MUNDELEIN: DISTRICT 120

High school district seeks 24-cent boost in tax rate

By MATT PERA
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How it reads

Below is a look at how the referendum question will appear on ballots Nov. 7.

Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Mundelein Consolidated High School District Number 120, Lake County, IL, be increased by an additional .24 percent above the limiting rate for levy year 2005 and be equal to 1.196 percent of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy years 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009?

Proponents of a referendum for Mundelein High School District 120 hope the third time will be the charm.

The district asked for referendums in April 2005 and March 2006 without success, and now seeks an increase of 24 cents per \$100 of equalized assessed value. The increase would cost the owner of a \$300,000 home \$20 more per month.

Since balancing the budget two years ago, the district has cut staff, offerings and electives.

Linda Hanson, who serves as co-interim superintendent with John Barbini, has been through several successfully passed referendums during her career.

She was the full-time superintendent of District 120 from 1990 to 1994, before moving to District 113, which serves Deerfield and Highland Park.

"You never really know until the vote is taken," she said. "I

think people recognize when the high school is in good shape, it's good for the whole community - for the economy, for businesses ... for homeowners. The breaking point is where can we still make the high school be the best it can be and still deliver the best bang for the buck?"

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● **Editor's Choice** by Larry Lough

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- This newspaper's endorsements for the local offices listed above.

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One knock on endorsements is that they always favor one party, or always

favor the incumbent.

We don't believe in that, as many of our choices clearly demonstrate.

Lots of other information on the election was published in the Voters Information Guide, distributed in our Oct. 13 edition. We have extra copies if you need one.

Cast an informed vote.

As always, let us know what you think. Write to lough@nwnewsgroup.com. Thanks for reading the Journal.

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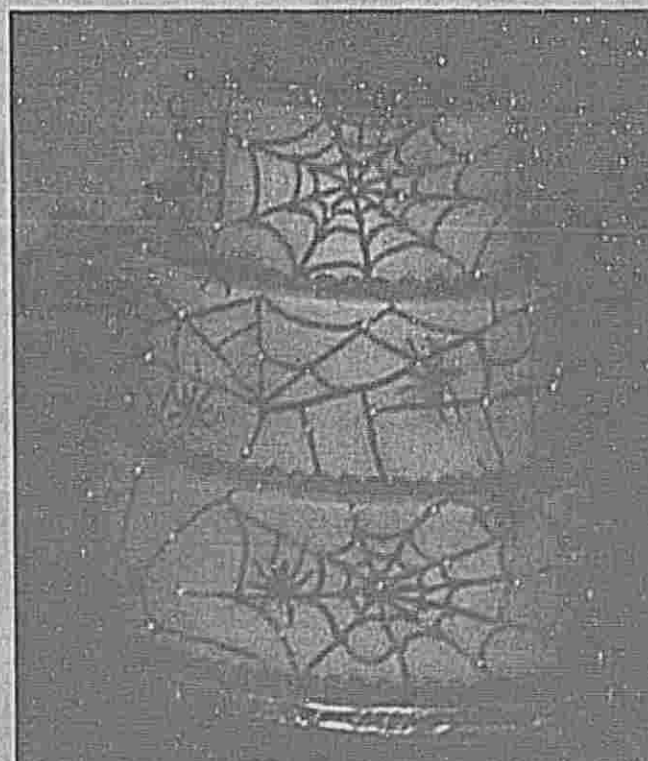
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"Serving our communities to make them better places to live"

"Because he's going to forget what he said, and then you got him."
—Karl Abt on war interrogation tactics (see story below)

Experience of the intimidation kind

Former soldier shares stories about being a prison interrogator

By TARA CLIFTON
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ANTIOCH – When the Army found out that Karl Abt spoke German, they had just one job in mind for him: prison interrogator.

It was early 1943, Abt was 20 years old and was just drafted into the military. For the next three years, he worked for the Military Intelligence Services (MIS), mostly along the western border of Germany along France. He belonged to Team 97.

Recently, Abt told members of the Lakes Region Historical Society about his World War II service during the group's Oct. 26 meeting. The society is based in Antioch.

Abt, 83, opened up his story for an even wider audience in 2005, when his book was published, "A Few Who Made a Difference: The WWII Teams of the Military Intelligence Service." He wrote the work in 2002.

Abt, of Arlington Heights, was born in Germany in 1923. He and his family moved to the United States when he was 4.

After high school, he joined the military.

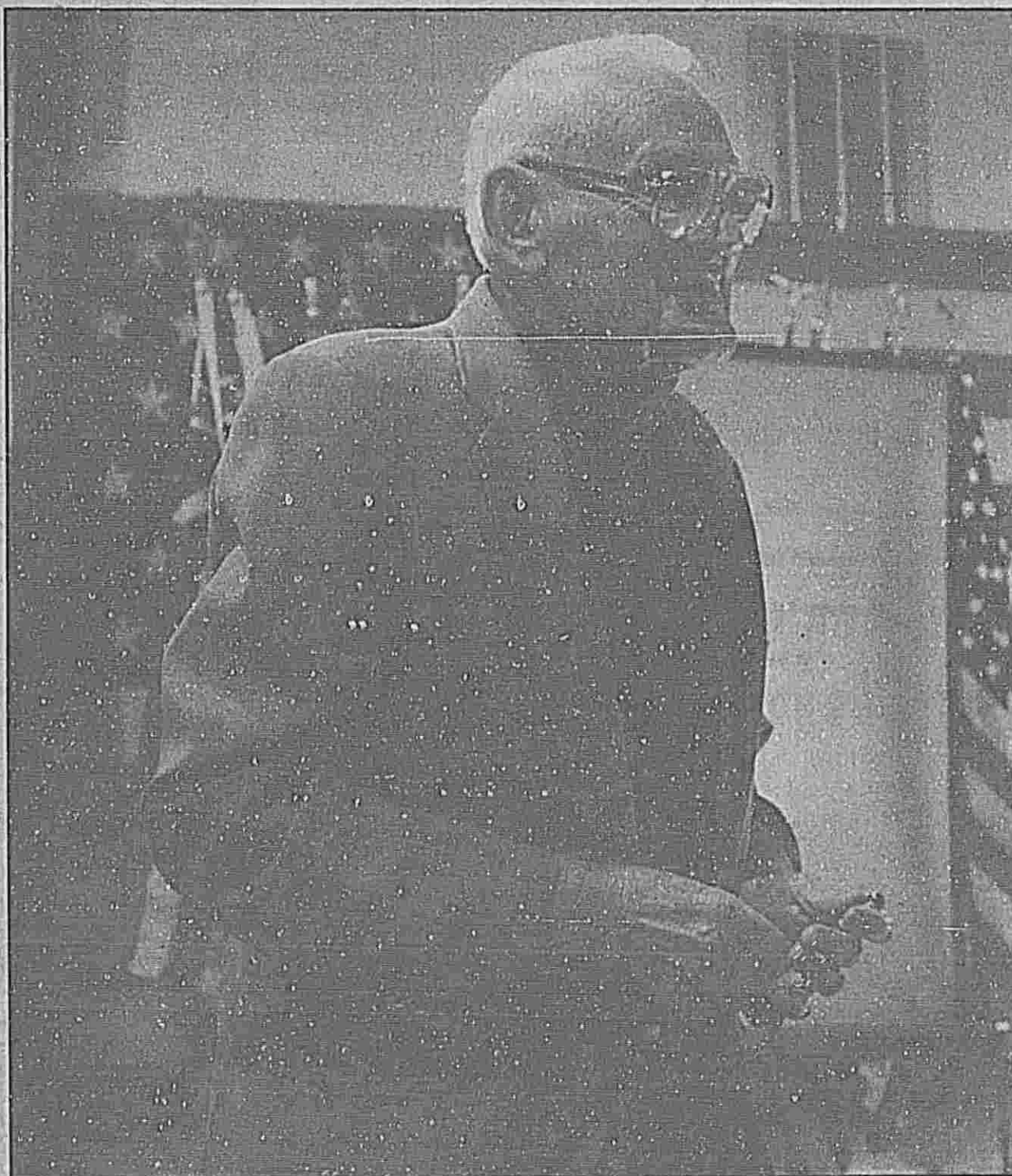
Abt was a part of 31 American MIS teams out of 57 total along the German border. Each day he questioned up to five German prisoners.

The rules of interrogation were very specific, Abt said.

Only two people could be in the room, the interrogator and a captain. The goal was to get the prisoner's name, rank, serial number and unit. They also extracted the number of soldiers in that unit, the unit's headquarters, as well as its morale and conditions.

Many of the prisoners who were captured were in poor condition, Abt said. They were malnourished and under supplied.

But food was never used as a bribe, Abt said. All interrogators adhered strictly to



Karl Abt speaks to members of the Lakes Region Historical Society about his World War II service. Abt was a German interrogator for the US during the war.

the rules of the Geneva Convention of 1927. No physical abuse was ever used.

Even if the German soldiers remained silent.

"They'd say, 'Guys, the guy doesn't want to talk, let's get another one,'" Abt said.

Many prisoners wanted the war to end, Abt said, so their lips could be quite loose. Interrogators also promised better treatment if their detainees talked.

Another tactic involved telling a prisoner to repeat his story if it seemed to have holes in it.

"Because he's going to forget what he said, and then you got him," Abt said.

Abt said he is disappointed to hear about prisoner abuse in American facilities such as those in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

"I don't know why the rules aren't being followed," he said.

Our Town

Pay up ... online

You guys might have noticed this already, but I didn't. On the village's Web site, they have a link that directs you to a site that allows you to pay your utilities bills online.

The link directs you to the Illinois State Treasurer's Office EPAY Web site. All you have to do is use either your credit card, debit card or electronic

check to pay your bills. You will be charged a small fee for using the service, money that is not charged or collected by the Village of Antioch.



Tara Clifton

To find out more hop online onto www.antioch.il.gov.

Lots of business-related stuff coming up next:

Antioch residents **Al C.** and **Lynn Roth** received a major bonus from their employers, AdvoCare International, for being top recruiters during a recent incentive program.

AdvoCare is a direct-selling company of nutritional supplements and skin care products based in Carrollton, Texas.

Antioch's **Karen Meyer** was just named a Monthly Achiever at her company, lia sophia, which directly sells jewelry. This status puts Karen in the upper ranks of sales representatives in the organization. Good job!

William A. Battistone of Lake Villa is now a Senior Vice President in Commercial Lending for State Bank of the Lakes.

He has been in the banking business since 1986, and has worked his way up.

• If you have interesting information or anecdotes to submit for "Our Town," e-mail Tara Clifton at tclifton@nwnewsgroup.com

New program aims for higher test scores

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ANTIOCH – Teachers at Antioch Community High School want their students to do well on standardized tests. To do so they have created a program to help them.

The school's student achievement program has been available for a little more than four weeks now, program coordinator Sarah Ogborn said, and attendance is slowly going up.

"We're still working out the details," she said. "The kids

seem pretty responsive to it."

The required program helps sophomores prepare for the ACT and the PSAT, Ogborn said. Students meet in small groups once a week for 25 minutes during their lunch hour.

Students learn test taking

strategies and get mini lessons in math, science and English, with a teacher for each subject, Ogborn said.

After the tests have been taken, Ogborn said the program will focus on career planning.

Resident's observation leads to two arrests

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ANTIOCH - Police are crediting an alert resident with the arrest of two thieves.

Antioch Police charged Benjamin Rosales, 18, 4222 North Drake, Chicago, and Juan C. Salegio, 22, 366 Hawthorn Lane, Antioch, with burglary. Rosales also was charged with minor consumption of alcohol.

Antioch Deputy Police Chief Ron Roth said a resident saw the two around 11 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 30, at the 400 block of Donin Drive, in Antioch. Rosales and Salegio were moving from



Juan C. Salegio



Benjamin Rosales

car to car opening door handles.

When officers arrived on the scene, they saw two young men, one carrying a car stereo and the other hiding something large under his sweat-shirt.

Police found three unlocked vehicles that had items missing, including loose change, a stereo, and stereo

speakers.

Roth said that motorists should always lock their vehicles and be on the lookout for suspicious activity.

Night riders



Chris Padgett - cpadgett@nwnewsgroup.com

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Police arrest area purse snatcher

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ANTIOCH - Police charged a woman with stealing purses from elderly women after they arrested her for an unrelated incident.

Andrea Abear, 44, 25357 Richmond Ave., Antioch, was caught on grocery store surveillance tapes snatching purses from seniors' shopping carts.

Around noon on Thursday, Oct. 26, Abear was involved in an accident at the intersection of Route 173 and McMillen Road, said Antioch Deputy Police Chief Ron Roth. Abear was taken to Antioch Police head-



Andrea Abear

quarters on a driving under the influence charge.

The officer who responded to the scene of the accident noticed that Abear fit the

physical description of the purse snatcher police had been looking for. After questioning, Abear confessed to stealing the purses, Roth said.

"She said she was down on her luck and needed the money," Roth said.

• Births

Brianna Ofelia Duran, a daughter, was born Sept. 15 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Freddy and Nikki Duran of Antioch. Her sister is Vianey, 4. Grandparents are Denise Casey and Morgan LaRue of Round Lake; Ofelia Velazquez and Pedro Duran of Mexico. Great-grandparent is Esperanza Huerta of Mexico.

Summer Linda Ruhl, a daughter, was born Sept. 6 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Charmaine and Randy Ruhl of Antioch. Her siblings are Randv

Ruhl, 10, Paige Dorbeck, 15, and Jenessa Pryor, 10. Grandparents are Charmaine and Grover Gunn of Antioch; and Rita and John Ruhl of Las Vegas, Nev. Great-grandparents are Sylvia and Vince Waidluzis of Chicago and Helen and Cleave Gunn of Oak Lawn.

Selena Marie Rodriguez, a daughter, was born Oct. 2, at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Holly Ann Sankey of Antioch. Grandparents are Laura and Moises Rodriguez of Antioch.

GRAYSLAKE

FiltaFry offers sizzling service

New business cleans fryers, offers business owners advice

By KATHY GRESEY
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FiltaFry of Lake County

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GRAYSLAKE – After managing a dorm snack bar for two years, Grayslake resident Scott Landy knows the dangers associated with cleaning fryers well.

Years ago, he used to filter oil from his school's fryer with a cone filter. Now, Landy offers fryer cleaning services through the mobile franchise FiltaFry.

FiltaFry specializes in micro-filtration and vacuum-based cleaning of deep fryers in restaurant and commercial kitchens. The business opened in August 2006.

The fryer-cleaning company provides a safe and clean way for businesses to maintain their deep-fat fryers. From start to finish, the entire service takes about 30 minutes.

Landy began offering FiltaFry services in Lake County after he decided to stop working as an independent marketing consultant. Currently, he offers services to Dog n Suds, Salutos and Mitch's Chicago Style Grill.

Laura Mitchell, owner of Mitch's, said hiring FiltaFry has saved her business money.

"[Landy] approached us, and

he gave us a free demonstration," she said. "He comes in and does his work. You never even notice that he's there."

According to the FiltaFry Web site, the complete FiltaFry management system removes small contaminate particles that cause oil breakdown, which results in cleaner and longer-lasting oil.

While demonstrating his service to other businesses, Landy said he will offer tips on how to operate fryers more efficiently.

"We'll coach people," he said. "In many cases, we are saving them money."

Landy added that he's optimistic about FiltaFry's future.

"There's a huge [idea] here that no one is tapping into," he said. "Feedback has been very positive."

Getting 15 minutes of fame

Antioch business to appear on television special

ANTIOCH – Pickard China will soon get its 15 minutes of fame.

The village's oldest established factory will get airtime along with other Chain of Lakes attractions at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 28, on WTTW Channel 11.

The channel's Geoffrey Baer will take viewers on a "TV Tour" that starts at Blarney Island and ends at Mies Van Der Rohe's Farnsworth

House.

Antioch also could be featured on Home and Garden Television. HGTV will film in the Chicago area for its holiday program, and is interested in Antioch's Holiday Lights competition.

The station also is interested in featuring the village for "What's With That House," another HGTV program.

Sending letters from home

Students to mail greetings to soldiers overseas for holidays

By TARA CLIFTON

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ANTIOCH – Being away from home during the holidays can be rough, especially if you are a soldier.

For that reason, the Antioch VFW Post 4551 is partnering with Grass Lake and Emmons schools for a letter writing program.

Teachers have asked stu-

dents in those buildings to write cards or letters for Christmas to encourage soldiers who are overseas, said Barb Gray, the Women's Auxiliary Leader for the VFW.

"A lot of soldiers don't get any mail at all," Gray said.

Drop boxes will be placed throughout the village, Gray said, and she will collect students' letters and cards the week before Thanksgiving.

The VFW also is forming a support group for soldiers and their families. The group has not met formally yet, but Gray said residents have shown strong interest.

The group would allow parents of military members to exchange advice and offer ears for listening to worries. For service members, the group would help them integrate into civilian life after a tour of duty.

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Correction

In an article titled "Preparing for a world championship," in the Oct. 27-Nov. 2 edition, Haling and Sons

Marina at 26365 Lotus Road was misspelled. The Lake County Journals regrets the error.



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D-120 referendum would be used to reduce class size

DISTRICT 120

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If the referendum passes, school officials say, the district would receive \$3 million annually in extra revenue.

The funds would allow the district to hire additional teachers to reduce class sizes.

The school's Web site www.mundelein-mustangs.com states that staff reductions have led to swollen class averages in math (27.6 students), science (29.3) social studies (29.7) and English (28.5). Some

classes currently have close to 40 students.

District 120 school board Vice President Steve Wirt said the large class sizes had negatively affected the learning environment.

"What it does is it makes individual attention that much more difficult," he said. "When you have that many kids in a class, kids need individual attention, I don't care how smart you are, and it really really limits the ability of the faculty to do that."

The goal is for classes at MHS to average 25 students, Wirt said.

Referendum funds also would allow the district to hire aides, restore electives programs and increase resource center hours and staffing.

MHS Principal John Ahlgrim said a referendum committee, consisting of parents and other volunteers, had been working to educate community one why the district needed the referendum to pass.

"I think for the most part our school community has been aware of the changes ... and because we were on the referendum last spring, which didn't pass, I think they probably understand why we're asking again."

For the schools, every opinion counts

D-34 officials offer options to speak out

ANTIOCH – During the next two months, School District 34 officials are counting on residents to speak out.

They need to figure out how to handle overcrowded schools, and are asking citizens to help out through a special meeting, a task force, a survey, and a public forum.

As of Monday, Oct. 30 the

school board was scheduled to host a special meeting from 4:30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 2, at Hillcrest Elementary School. That meeting will continue at 5 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 9, at Hillcrest.

According to a release the meeting addressed district needs for the school year, including staffing and space

needs, and the possibility of an April referendum.

School district leaders also are asking the community to join a special task force to put even more ideas on the drawing board regarding the district's space problems.

The first task force meeting will take place at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 15, at Hillcrest Elementary School.

And starting in November, each household in District 34

will receive a letter asking them to participate in an online survey created by School Perceptions, an information-gathering firm based in Wisconsin.

The letters will contain access codes that will allow each home access to the survey's Web site. Residents will get to voice the opinions on such topics as new schools and children's needs.

Those without computers are encouraged to use the public library or request a paper copy.

Survey results will be presented at the December school board meeting at Antioch Elementary School.

● Local Digest

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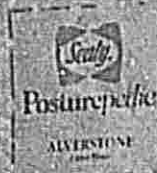
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WAUKEGAN

Community based correction center opens

LAKE COUNTY JOURNALS

Construction on a new corrections center has been going on for three years in downtown Waukegan. Discussions and planning for the facility began about three years before that.

It all culminated in the official opening of the Lake County Community Based Corrections Center in Waukegan on Oct. 26.

The facility, located at 15 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., will offer 163 new secure detention beds that will be phased in during the next three years, increasing the total number in Lake County Adult Corrections to 760.

The project also will add 178 new work release beds during the next three years, increasing the total for Lake County Community Based Corrections to 288.

Lake County Sheriff Gary Del Re said discussions began between the sheriff's office and the Lake County Board in 2000 in response to a growing inmate population.

Construction on the facility began in 2003.

Del Re, Lake County Board Chairman Suzi Schmidt and several Lake County

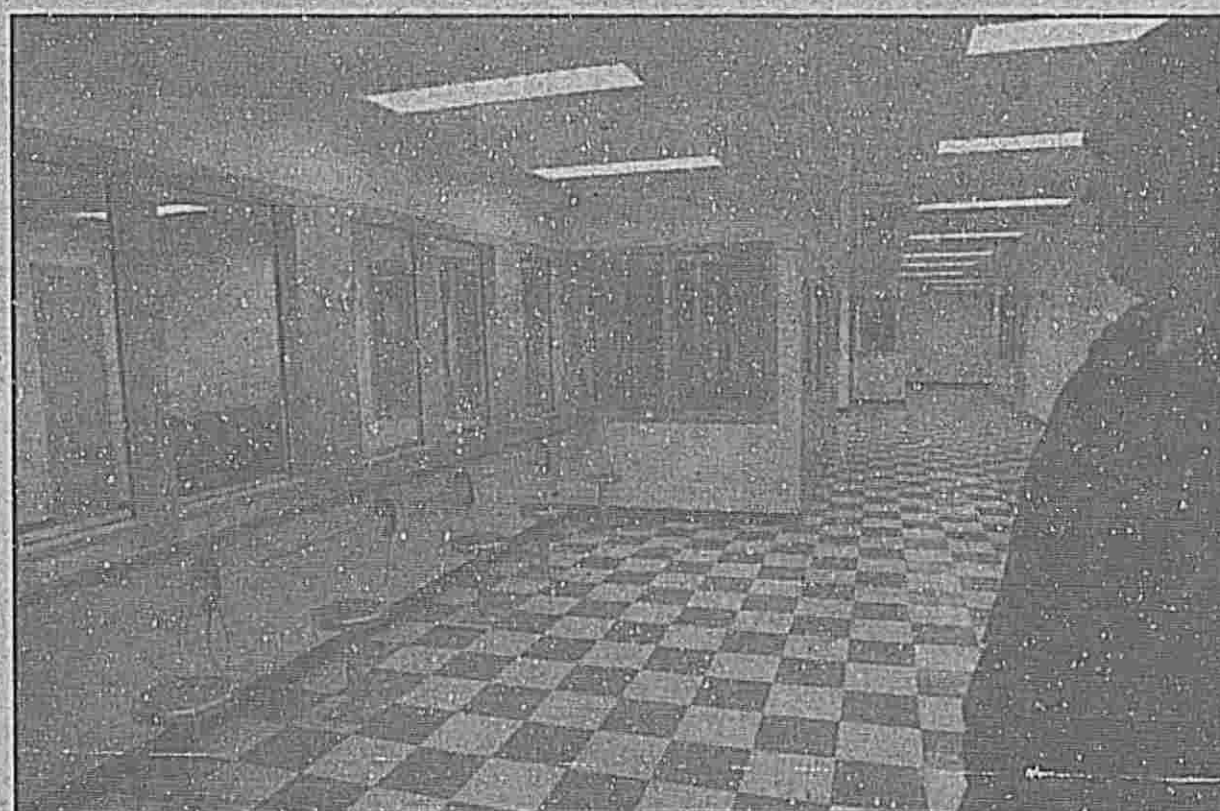


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Waukegan's Community Based Corrections Center visitation room.

Board members attended the ribbon cutting ceremony on Oct. 26.

"Overall it's something we desperately needed," Del Re said. "We recognized



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Sgt. Daniel Sheline looks at the visitation room in the new Community Based Corrections Center located at 15 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive.

the need as the county continued to grow and there was a correlation between county growth and incarceration rates."

County spokesman Joe Chekouras said staff members at the facility anticipated moving inmates into the center

during the first two weeks of November.

He added that those on a waiting list of about 100 candidates for the work release program would be transferred to the community based center in January of 2007.

● School Notes

SCHOOL DISTRICT 41 Health office needs

Martin School is in need of a part-time nurse and gently-used clothing for the health office.

Those interested in the nursing job or donating clothing should call the school office at (847) 245-6690.

War Hawks on their way

The University of Wisconsin-Whitewater wheelchair basketball team will come to Palombi Middle School at 9 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 10, for an assembly and game.

Daytime concerts

At Hooper School this year, all musical performances will take place during the day.

The next concert will feature fifth-graders at 1:45 p.m. on Nov. 9, at the school's stage.

For more information, call Cathy Welch at (847) 245-8115.

SCHOOL DISTRICT 24 Millburn to offer screening

Millburn School District will offer screening for preschoolers

with suspected developmental delays. Developmental areas evaluated include speech and language, small and large motor skills, conceptual experiences and pre-academic skills. The next screening will take place on Wednesday, Nov. 1. This is available to district 3- and 4-year-olds. Parents should bring an original county certificate of their child's birth. A hospital certificate is not valid verification of a child's birth. Also, proof of residency is required. This could include a driver's license, gas/electric bill, voter registration, etc. To schedule an appointment, please call the special services office at (847) 356-8331x2908.

SCHOOL DISTRICT 34 Phone calls

Parents are asked to call Antioch Upper Grade School before 2 p.m. about their child's end-of-day activities. This will give office staff more time to get messages to students and reduce busy phone lines.

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Getting in the spirit



Jake Reigel, 5, plays during the VFW's Halloween Ball. The Westosha Lake Chorus and Lakes Community Swing Band performed at the event. The event took place on Oct. 28

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'Dr. Phil' coming to Lake County

LAKE COUNTY JOURNALS

Phillip McGraw, or Dr. Phil as he is known to his fans, will make an appearance in Lake County on Saturday, Nov. 4.

The TV-psychologist who garnered acclaim after appearances on "The Oprah Winfrey Show" will visit the annual fundraising gala for CASA Lake County, which will benefit abused and neglected children.

Susan Ahern, one of the event's organizers, said McGraw's community involvement made him a good fit to appear at the fundraiser.

"His foundation is strictly about serving high-risk, underprivileged kids, and the CASA organization is an advocate group that takes volunteers in the community and trains them to be court-appointed voices [for such children]," she said.

McGraw will speak at the event, which is taking place at the Lincolnshire Marriott Resort.

The dinner, with dancing to

the Roy Vombrack Orchestra, and silent and live auctions, is titled, "An Evening Under the Stars." It is chaired by Ahern and Suzy Palmer, both residents of Barrington Hills and CASA Lake County Board members.

Last year's event raised more than \$130,000 to benefit the advocacy services CASA provides to abused and neglected children who are in the Lake County Juvenile Court system.

"It just happened to work out that [McGraw] was committed to coming and supporting this," Ahern said.

Tickets for the evening are \$250 a person, and may be purchased by calling the CASA administrative office at (847) 808-9154, or by visiting the agency's Web site, www.casalakecounty.com, and clicking on the event link.

Money from the event will be used to train volunteers, according to CASA Executive Director Terri Zenner Greenberg.

KATHLEEN A. SIMON

Born: Dec. 31, 1928

Died: Oct. 24, 2006

Her special interests included reading, ceramics and arts and crafts

LAKE VILLA – Kathleen A. Simon, age 77 of Lake Villa, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2006, at Pinnacle Health Care in Waukegan. She was born Dec. 31, 1928, in Chicago, the daughter of the late William and Marie (Gerard) Kenney. She had lived in Bridgeport, before moving to Lake Villa in 1968 and was a member of St. Peter Church of Antioch. Her special interests included reading, ceramics and arts and crafts.

On Dec. 3, 1960 she married Edward Simon and he preceded her in death on July 14, 1993.

Survivors include seven children, Linda (John) Elliott and Scott Gilby both of Conroe, Texas, Mary Rodriguez of Las Vegas, Nev., Carol (Guy) Wadas of Trevor, Wis., Michael Simon of Louisiana, Patrick (Bonnie) Simon of McHenry and Marty (Jo Ellen) Simon of Lake Villa; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and one brother.

The funeral with a Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10 a.m., Oct. 28, at St. Peter Church, in Antioch. Interment followed in Hillside Cemetery in Antioch.

Visitation was held at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch from 4 to 8 p.m. on Oct. 27. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits

GEORGE A. ZABADAL

Born: Sept. 9, 1912

Died: Oct. 25, 2006

Played minor league baseball with the St. Louis Browns

ROUND LAKE – George A. Zabadal, 94, formerly of Chicago and Spring Green, Wis., passed away on Wednesday, Oct. 25, 2006, at the Hillcrest Retirement Center in Round Lake Beach. He was born in Chicago, on Sept. 9, 1912, the son of the late Hedwig and Michael Zabadal. He played minor league baseball with the St. Louis Browns. He was an avid bowler, a diehard Chicago Cubs fan and a Green Bay Packers fan. He loved animals, especially his dogs.

He is survived by his daughter-in-law, Nancy of Huntley; his grandchildren; his great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Anna and his son, Ronald.

Funeral services began at 10 a.m., Oct. 28, at Ringa Funeral Home, 122 S. Milwaukee Ave. (Route 83) Lake Villa. Interment was at St. Adalbert Cemetery in Niles. Visitation, Oct. 28,

from 9 a.m. until the time of services. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits

WILLIAM J. KEARNS III

Born: July 10, 1959

Died: Oct. 22, 2006

Served in the U.S. Army



TWIN LAKES, WIS. – William J. Kearns III, age 47 of Twin Lakes, Wis., formerly of Lindenhurst, passed away unexpectedly Sunday, Oct. 22, 2006, at his home. He was born July 10, 1959, in Chicago, the son of the late William II and Arlene (Murphy) Kearns. Bill served in the U.S. Army. He had worked as a carpenter.

Survivors include his son, William Kearns IV of Lindenhurst, his siblings, Debra (John) Hauck of Tucson, Ariz., Daniel (Karen) Kearns of Pardeeville, Wis., Joan (Mike) Jackson of Lindenhurst, and Carol (Dave) Zitkus of Genoa City, Wis.; his many nieces and nephews and his special friend, Elizabeth Swan.

Visitation was held from 4 to 8 p.m., on Oct. 27, at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch, with a prayer service at 7:30 p.m. Interment

of ashes was private in All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits

ELIZABETH C. HELLER

Born: Jan. 18, 1925

Died: Oct. 24, 2006

Former employee of the Boehm and Ray Insurance Agency in Libertyville

LIBERTYVILLE – Elizabeth C. Heller, age 81, of Libertyville, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2006, at the Wealshire Healthcare Center in Lincolnshire. She was born in Trenton, N.J., and was a graduate of the Thomas A. Edison College in New Jersey.

Surviving are her husband Wallace P. Heller; her son, Wallace A. (Maria) Heller and granddaughter, Dulce Heller, all of Libertyville. She was preceded in death by her parents, Albert and Elizabeth Bazzel and by a brother.

A graveside service was held at 1 p.m., Oct. 27 at the Lakeside Cemetery in Libertyville.

Arrangements were handled by the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits

ALFREDO J. ANDREU

Born: Dec. 23, 1963

Died: Oct. 27, 2006

Worked as a painter and decorator

ANTIOCH – Alfredo J. Andreu, age 42 of Antioch, passed away suddenly Friday, Oct. 27, 2006, while at work. He was born Dec. 23, 1963, in Cuba, the son of Alfredo H. and Isabel (Casaco) Andreu. Alfredo settled in Chicago where he lived before moving to the Round Lake and Antioch area. He worked as a painter and decorator, was a good artist and loved fishing.

Survivors include his mother Isabel Andreu of Mellen, Wis.; his sisters, Cari (Ed) Vejvoda of Antioch, Isabel (Everado) Smano of Round Lake Beach, Gloria Clark of Kansas City, Kan., and Serafina (James) Farrel of Mellen, Wis., and many, many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father Alfredo H. Andreu on Aug. 25, 2003.

The Funeral service was held at 7 p.m., on Nov. 1 at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch, with visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. Burial of his cremains will be held at a later date. The family has suggested that in lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made

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STEVEN CARL ALBERT

Born: Nov. 22, 1962
Died: Oct. 28, 2006
Was an avid eBay viewer, and enjoyed lifting weights

FOX LAKE – Steven Carl Albert, age 43 of Fox Lake, died Saturday, Oct. 28, 2006, in Fox Lake. He was born Nov. 22, 1962, in Chicago to Norman H. and Joan (Carvalho) Albert. He was employed in the roofing industry for 15 years. He also worked as an installer for satellite TV in conjunction with Circuit City.

Survivors include his parents, Norman H. (Anna) Albert of Fox Lake, Joan Albert of Avon Park, Fla.; two brothers, Michael (Mary) Albert of Round Lake Park, Jeffrey Albert of Wonder Lake; four nephews, Jeremy, Matthew, Christopher and Kyle.

Visitation will be from 6 to 9 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 3, at Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home, 222 W. North Rosedale Court (At Cedar Lake Road) Round Lake. The funeral blessing will be at 8:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 3, at the funeral home. Interment will be in private. Memorials to the family would be appreciated. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits

JAMES M. LaLANDA

Born: Dec. 28, 1945
Died: Oct. 28, 2006

Was employed as a material handler at Fiat Allison Co. for many years

ROUND LAKE PARK – James M. LaLanda, age 60, died Saturday, Oct. 28, 2006, at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. He was born Dec. 28, 1945, in Chicago to Raymond and Mary (McLaughlin) LaLanda. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was employed as a material handler at Fiat Allison Company for many years.

Survivors include three sisters, Susan LaLanda of Round Lake Park, Pat Cummings of Kansas and Carol Schorr of California. He is preceded in death by his parents; and a brother.

Services were private for the family. Arrangements were handled by Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits.

KAY E. PEEL

Born: Feb. 7, 1954
Died: Oct. 27, 2006

Was a divisional vice president of Global Pharmaceutical Operations at Abbott Lab.

LIBERTYVILLE – Kay E. Peel, age 52 of Libertyville, passed away Friday, Oct. 27, 2006, at the Lake Forest Hospital. She had been one of the divisional vice presidents of Global Pharmaceutical Operations at Abbott Lab, retiring after 29 years of service.

Surviving are her husband, Bill Peel and daughter, Kelly Peel, both of Libertyville; two brothers and many other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Eleanor Tully.

Prayers began at 9:30 a.m., Oct. 31, at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville and services continued to St. Joseph Church for Mass at 10 a.m. Interment followed at Ascension Cemetery. Visitation was at the funeral home from 3 to 8 p.m. Oct. 30.

Memorial contributions can be made to Catholic Charities of Lake County 671 S. Lewis Ave., Waukegan, IL 60085. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits.

HEINZ A. ZIMMER

Died: Oct. 22, 2006

Enjoyed woodworking, crafts including string art and puzzles

FOX LAKE – Heinz A. Zimmer, age 82 of Fox Lake, formerly of Germany, died Sunday, Oct. 22, 2006, at home. He was born in Fromsdorf, Germany to Alfred and Anna Zimmer, had served in the German Army and worked as a truck driver. On Feb. 7, 1948, he was united in marriage to Angelika (nee Lohs). He was employed as a union carpenter and enjoyed woodworking, crafts including string art, puzzles, watching hockey and soccer and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife, Angelika of Fox Lake; his children, Marianne Lambert of Ingleside, Dieter (Cindy) Zimmer of Mount Prospect; grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister and by a son-in-law, Richard Lambert.

Memorial services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 4, at the K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home, 12 N. Pistakee Lake Rd., Fox Lake (The Chapel on the Lake) (one block west of Route 12 and 1/2 block north of Grand Avenue). Friends and family are invited to arrive on Saturday, Nov. 4, from 12:30 p.m. on through the time of services. Interment was private.

Memorials for the American Parkinsons Disease Association, Midwest Chapter 2050 Pfingsten Rd., Suite 127, Glenview, IL 60026-1391; or the Alzheimers Greater Ill. Chapter, 4709 Golf Rd., Suite 1015, Skokie, IL 60087, will be appreciated by the family in lieu of flowers. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits.

GERALD PARUZYSKI

Born: Oct. 10, 1936

Died: Oct. 26, 2006

Was a member of the Antioch Coin Club

ANTIOCH – Gerald Paruzynski, age 70 of Antioch, passed away Thursday, Oct. 26, 2006, at Victory Memorial Hospital in Waukegan. He was born in Chicago, the son of the late Henry and Emily (Cetner) Paruzynski. He was a member of the Antioch Coin Club and senior center.

Survivors include his sister, Joan Dschida of Antioch. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a brother and a sister.

Services were private. The Strang Funeral Home of Antioch handled the arrangements. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits.

VIRGINIA R. BUSSA

Born: Nov. 10, 1921

Died: Oct. 26, 2006

Worked as an assistant at the Animal Hospital in Grayslake

ANTIOCH – Virginia R. Bussa, age 84 of Antioch, passed away Thursday, Oct. 26, 2006, at Victory Lakes Continuing Care Center in Lindenhurst. She was born in Chicago, the daughter of the late Julius Joseph and Lilley Mae (Klimer) Zander. She had worked as an assistant at the Animal Hospital in Grayslake.

She has no known relatives. Survivors include her dear friend and neighbor, Ernest January.

Memorial services will be held at a later date at the church. Arrangements were handled by the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch.

Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits.

PATRICK J. PRILLER

Born: March 17, 1948

Died: Oct. 29, 2006

Worked part time as a Lake County Sheriff Marine Unit Deputy

ANTIOCH – Patrick J. Priller, age 58 of Antioch, passed away Sunday, Oct. 29, 2006, at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville, after an extended illness. He was born March 17, 1948, in Chicago, the son of the late Frank and Irene (Murray) Priller, moving to Antioch in 1971. Pat was a licensed Ham Radio operator, loved hunting and fishing and worked as a field service technician for NCR. He also worked part time as a Lake County Sheriff Marine Unit Deputy. On April 12, 1969, he married Christine M. Binkowski in Chicago.

Survivors include his wife of over 37 years, Christine; three children, Michael (Mary) Priller of Antioch, Bradley Priller of Chicago and Lisa (Mark) Garberding of Antioch; a brother, Tom (Kathy) Priller and a sister, Sharon Priller, both of Chicago, his grandchild, Colby and step-grandchildren, Jonathan and Christopher.

The Memorial Funeral Service will be held at 7 p.m., Friday, Nov. 3 at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch, 1055 Main St., (Route 83) with visitation beginning at 5 p.m. Private interment will be in Millburn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his memory to the American Cancer Society or to the family. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits.

LEONARD M. TISBY

Born: April 9, 1903

Died: Oct. 26, 2006

Spent most of his working life as a self-employed individual businessman

WAUKEGAN – Leonard M. Tisby, age 103, of Waukegan, died on Thursday Oct. 26, 2006, at Pinnacle Nursing Home of natural causes. Leonard's loves were his religion, his family, and travel.

Two daughters and a son, Freddie Mae Webster and husband Sonny of Venice, Calif., Bennie Mae Williams and husband Lawrence of Los Angeles, Calif., Jim Tisby and wife Sharese of Waukegan; 14 grandchildren, plus many great-grandchildren, and many great-great-grandchildren survive Leonard. He was preceded in

death by his loving wife Claudia who died in 1988 at the age of 81.

Leonard was born in Shreveport, La., on April 9, 1903. He married Claudia Denmion of Lufkin, Texas, in 1927. He relocated his family to California in the 1930s where he lived in Santa Monica and Venice. In 1956 he moved to Kalamazoo, Mich., where he was active in the neighborhood and community affairs. Although Leonard retired from the maintenance department of Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo he spent most of his working life as a self employed individual businessman doing just about anything to make an honest dollar and support his family. Leonard lived in Kalamazoo until 1998 when he became ill and was moved to a nursing home in Waukegan so he could be close to his son and his wife Jim and Sharese Tisby.

Harper Funeral Home in Kalamazoo is performing funeral transportation and preparations. Funeral services will be held at noon on Friday, Nov. 3, 2006, at Mount Zion Baptist Church in Kalamazoo, Mich. He will be buried alongside Claudia, his wife of 60 years at Mount Ever-Rest Memorial Park in Kalamazoo, Mich. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits.

THOMAS A. MILLER

Born: Dec. 12, 1949

Died: Oct. 28, 2006

Worked for the CTA for over 20 years

PARK CITY – Thomas A. Miller, age 56 of Park City, died Saturday, Oct. 28, 2006, at his home. Born in Chicago to Stanley and Betty Miller, Thomas worked for CTA for over 20 years. He was also a member of the Moose Club of Zion.

Survivors include his son Steve Miller of Chicago; and his brothers Paul (Barbara) Miller and Jim (Kim) Miller, all of Chicago.

The funeral is scheduled for 1 p.m., Friday, Nov. 3, at Strang Funeral Chapel & Crematorium, 410 E. Belvidere Rd, Grayslake, IL 60030. Friends of the family may visit from 11 a.m., until the time of service. Please sign the Guest Book at www.WeeklyJournals.com/obits.

CORRECTION

The obituary for Fred D. Tomei published in the Lake County Journals on Oct. 27, contained an error. The funeral was Oct. 21, not Oct. 28. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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8TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Bean vies for second term

About the candidate

Melissa L. Bean, 44

Candidacy: Incumbent U.S. House of Representatives, 8th District, Illinois

Hometown: Barrington

Family: Husband, Alan; daughters, Victoria (15) and Michelle (13)

Education: B.A.

Roosevelt University; Maine East High School

Occupation: U.S.

Representative

No. 1 qualification for office: Background as a mother, businesswoman

Three most important issues to potential constituents: Promoting local economic growth, standing up for the moderate, mainstream values of constituents



Melissa Bean

By HELEN MANSFIELD

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Despite an unwillingness to engage her Republican opponent, David McSweeney, outside the three pre-arranged debates, incumbent Melissa Bean has captured some weighty endorsements for her second-term bid for U.S. House of Representatives.

Bean has been endorsed by environmental groups, the League of Conservation Voters and Sierra Club; the Illinois Farm Bureau; Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun-Times and Northwest Herald; and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

When addressing the Round

Lake Area Chamber of Commerce recently, Bean said she was proud of the endorsement by the national chamber, citing her previous ownership of a small business. Bean said her parents were small business owners, as well as her husband, adding that they all had a drink of "the entrepreneurial Kool-Aid."

Bean said that government, just like business, should be concerned with customer service, and she made a point to be available via the Internet to her constituents.

Asked by an audience member who one of her Washington men-

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McSweeney vows for reform in Congress

About the candidate

David McSweeney, 41

Candidacy: U.S. House of Representatives, 8th District, Illinois

Hometown: Barrington Hills

Family: Wife, Margaret, daughters Melissa, 13, and Katie, 11

Education: B.A.,

Economics, Duke University, 1987; M.B.A.,

Duke University, 1988

Occupation: Former investment banker, full-time candidate

No. 1 qualification for office: Business experience

Three most important issues to potential constituents: Create jobs in Illinois, fight for federal transportation expenditures, clean up corruption

Top priority in office: Promote greater fiscal responsibility by cutting wasteful spending



David McSweeney

By STEVE PETERSON

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David McSweeney has a profound interest in Lake and McHenry counties. The Republican candidate for the 8th Congressional District recognizes the intense growth in the area.

"I have been to more than 10,000 households so far. That is extremely important in this growing area," McSweeney said. "I want to keep the taxes low, reform Congress by cutting spending, and have lawsuit reform."

McSweeney is going against Democratic incumbent Melissa Bean and Moderate Party candidate Bill Schuerer. The district

stretches from Zion to the east, Woodstock to the west and as far south as Schaumburg.

McSweeney, 40, has been running for Congress since announcing his candidacy in Wauconda last June. He gave up his job as an investment banker to campaign.

"I felt that I needed to run for Congress full time," McSweeney said. "If I win, I would only serve three terms. That way, I could keep my independence. After the three terms, I want to return to the business world."

McSweeney always has been on the campaign trail. Back in 1980, when McSweeney was just 14, he

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8th District Congress ENDORSEMENT: Scheurer (I)

We see something in Bill Scheurer (see story, PAGE A16) of the Moderate Party that we don't see in the two major party candidates for Eighth District Congress: The willingness and ability to vote his conscience.

The voting record of incumbent Melissa Bean has the whiff of expediency: a Democrat desperate to win a second term in a Republican district. While she is a distinct improvement over the political warhorse she put out to pasture two years ago, we suspect many of her votes in Washington would have been different had she not been trying to get re-elected in a politically hostile geography.

The most laughable of the TV ads by the Republican Congressional Committee is the one that tells us its Eighth District candidate, David McSweeney, "will reform Congress." In the highly unlikely event that the GOP maintains control of the House, and the more likely event that McSweeney wins, the freshman will be in position to do little other than follow the party line, certainly not lead it. And his party's line has not been reform; it's been more of the same.

Scheurer's independence and sincerity are winning, even if his campaign is not. But with Scheurer, you wouldn't have to worry that he had sold his vote to big spenders who bankrolled his TV advertising campaign: There are no big spenders, no TV ads.

Maybe, then, it's not so important who we send to Washington as it is what we send. And that should be a message that the Capitol's culture of corruption, whether it be under Republican or Democratic control, is unacceptable. We're not going to take it anymore.

Only Scheurer, a resident of Lindenhurst, offers any promise that public interest - not the interests of expediency and partisanship - will be reflected in congressional votes made on behalf of the Eighth District of Illinois.



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8TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

About the candidate

Bill Scheurer, 55
Candidacy: Incumbent U.S. House of Representatives, 8th District, Illinois

Hometown: Lindenhurst

Family: Married to Randi for 36 years; four adult children - Allen, 32, Marcy, 30, Daniel, 28, Esther, 25

Education: B.A. in religious studies, JD in law

Occupation: Editor and publisher
No. 1 qualification for office: Peaceful security, balanced budgets, health care.

Three most important issues to potential constituents: Promoting local economic growth, standing up for the moderate, mainstream values of constituents



Bill Scheurer

Iraq war main focus for Scheurer

BY TARA CLIFTON

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Bill Scheurer sits on his couch with one leg tucked under himself. He is dressed in a purple windbreaker suit, the Northwestern University logo emblazoned on it.

His Lindenhurst home is full of stuff, mostly paintings and other artwork that his wife of 36 years, Randi, created.

Scheurer is a Moderate Party candidate who is running for the 8th Congressional District seat against Republican David McSweeney and incumbent

Democrat Melissa Bean.

Some people don't take third-party candidates seriously. After looking at the array of interests represented by the items in his house, someone might think Scheurer himself isn't entirely serious about running for political office.

But just after 5 minutes of conversation, that bias is put to rest. Scheurer speaks passionately and articulately on issues that he is truly concerned over, mainly the war in Iraq.

"It's a total mess," he said. "We have to bring this war to some

end."

Two of Scheurer's children are soldiers, a daughter in the Army and a son in the Marines.

His daughter always has been opposed to the war, Scheurer said. Luckily, she never made it to Iraq.

His son did. He and his father don't talk much about it, and they definitely don't talk about politics.

Just because he wants to bring troops home, Scheurer said, that doesn't necessarily mean he wants immediate withdrawal. Using a time table is probably the best idea, he said.

The war is just one example of

how the United States' policies need to be changed.

"National security policies, throughout my lifetime, and I'm 55 years old, have been based on narrow American interests," Scheurer said.

Seeing the direction America has gone, especially with the Bush Administration, convinced Scheurer that he had to step up to try to make a difference.

"It's something I can't not do," Scheurer said of running for office. "Even as I love the things that I love [writing], I love people more."

10TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

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10th District Congress
ENDORSEMENT: Seals (D)

Being part of the leadership group in Congress can be a blessing or a curse.

This year, it's a curse.

As assistant majority whip for Republicans in the U.S. House, Mark Kirk is responsible for keeping the GOP troops in line behind his party's message. And when you live by the whip, you die by the whip.

In the past two years, Congress has done ... what, exactly? Name a major initiative from which we've benefited.

Sorry; time's up.

Which is also our position on Kirk's three-term tenure in Congress. That's a shame, because he brings great experience to the job.

But Republicans' reign in Congress has been especially disappointing because it arrived with such promise. Fiscal restraint? Limited government? Preservation of freedoms? You must be kidding.

Fact is, House members' indictments outnumber their accomplishments.

Democrat Dan Seals is a knowledgeable, articulate young man who also has worked in Washington, first for semi-Democratic Sen. Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut, and later in the Clinton bureaucracy. Though he lacks Kirk's experience, Seals is no stranger to Capitol Hill.

And we believe he is the best chance the 10th District has of contributing to a much needed change of direction on The Hill.

Not that we're confident Democrats have all the answers. But, really, how much worse could it be?

Seals vies for congressional post

Candidate wants to represent district's 'unheard voice'

By KATHY GRESEY

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Wilmette resident Dan Seals has been tuning into Congressional District 10.

The 34-year-old said people in the district are ready for change, adding that he is a prepared to fight for what they want.

Seals is vying for a seat in the 10th District, as a democratic candidate.

His challenger is incumbent Mark Kirk.

If elected, Seals said he would be a valuable asset in Washington, D.C.

"I think I can be an unheard voice for the district," he said. "You have to represent the values of your district, and - hopefully - the values of the nation."

Seals has political experience. He has worked on Capitol Hill. And he was a presidential management fellow during the

About the candidate

Dan Seals, 34

Candidacy: Democratic candidate for Congressional District 10

Hometown: Wilmette

Family: Wife Mia and three children

Education: Masters in Business

Administration from the University of Chicago; Masters in Public Policy from John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies

Occupation: Director of marketing at GE Commercial Finance

No. 1 qualification for office: Unheard voice in district

Three most important issues to potential constituents: Transitioning out of Iraq, getting out of fiscal mess and health care costs



Dan Seals

Clinton administration.

The candidate currently is on leave from his position as director of marketing at GE Commercial Finance to campaign full time.

Should he be elected to Congress, Seals said he would work to implement a number of initiatives. Transitioning out of Iraq, restoring fiscal accountability, creating a better health

care system and lessening the nation's dependence on foreign oil are high on his list of priorities.

"We're losing the war on terrorism right now because of the war with Iraq," he said. "Where is the accountability right now? There have been no investigations."

A firm believer in his ideals, Seals said he would be willing to stand up to Republicans and other government leaders to pass legislation he supports, including removing troops from Iraq.

"I can't do it by myself, but I can help," he said.

In addition, the candidate has plans to improve education and the environment. He also would like to see Lake Michigan cleaned.

Citing Kirk's voting record, Seals said he is willing to vote consistently.

"Voters have to demand more," he said.

Seals is married and has two children.

The 10th District includes parts of Waukegan, Gurnee, Wadsworth, Libertyville and Mundelein.

Kirk seeks re-election

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U.S. Rep. Mark Kirk, R-Highland Park, is seeking a fourth term in the 10th Congressional District of Illinois.

He began his career in Washington on the staff of his predecessor, John Porter, who retired in 2000.

Kirk now serves as a member of the House Appropriations

Committee and three of its subcommittees - foreign operations, military quality of life and veterans affairs, and science, state, justice and commerce.

The congressman remains a naval reserve intelligence officer who served during conflicts with Iraq, Haiti and Bosnia. He was named "Intelligence Officer of Year" in 1999 for his combat service in Kosovo.

Kirk also is the co-chairman of the Tuesday Group, the caucus of "mainstream Republican members of Congress," according to his Web site, www.house.gov/kirk.

Important issues Kirk has identified, according to his Web site, are environment, education, health care, transportation and foreign policy, among others.

After repeated attempts, Kirk was not able to make himself available for an interview with the Lake County Journals.

About the candidate

Mark Kirk, 47

Candidacy: 10th Congressional District of Illinois

Hometown: Kenilworth, currently lives in Highland Park

Family: Wife Kimberly

Education: New Trier High School; Bachelor's Degree, Cornell; Master's Degree, London

School of Economics; Law Degree, Georgetown

Occupation: Congressman, 10th District



Mark Kirk

30TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

Link eyes a fourth term

By MATT PERA
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Things have changed in Springfield since State Sen. Terry Link, D-Waukegan, took office 10 years ago as a member of the minority party.

The power in the Senate has shifted to the Democrats, and Link now is the majority caucus whip.

Running this fall for a fourth term in State Senate District 30, the Waukegan resident said his experience working with both Republicans and Democrats was one his major strengths.

Link pointed to the work he had done with longtime Republican legislators such as State Sen. Adeline Geo-Karis, R-Zion, and State Rep. JoAnn Osmond, R-Antioch, to achieve bipartisan goals in Lake County.

"What I do is I tackle the issues that I think are important for the environment, for the state, for the health and the welfare of the individuals that live here, and I think I've been able to accomplish it," Link said. "Even when I was in the minority, that's the type of experience I have

About the candidate

Terry Link, 59

Candidacy: Illinois 30th State Senate District

Hometown: Born in North Chicago, currently lives in Waukegan

Family: Wife, Susan; daughters Lisa (married to Jeff), grandson Andrew; Leah (married to Tony); Kelly; Jennifer

Education: North Chicago High School; Stout State University (currently University of Wisconsin-Stout)

Occupation: Three-term state Senator
No. 1 qualification for office: Experience, having served 10 years in the Illinois Senate

Three most important issues to potential constituents: Education, health care and transportation



Terry Link

meetings and public forums to identify key projects to push for in Springfield.

"What this has done has moved ... projects on transportation up the ladder with the state," he said. "We have seen money come for these projects already from the state."

First and foremost, Link said, it is important for the state to address construction and improvements to the county's east-west roads.

He also pointed out that the alliance had worked to solicit \$2 million in federal funds for preliminary engineering for the Route 120 bypass. Legislators and local leaders also have worked to improve public transportation with Pace and Metra, he said.

Link explained that a similar strategy to the transportation alliance could be applied to examining new methods for education funding.

"We have to not just do a Band-Aid approach," he said. "What we've got to do is look at the whole way we have the tax structure in the state of Illinois."

[and] the type of ability I have." Link specifically addressed education and traffic concerns as two of the major issues that he currently was working on.

He joined Osmond and State Rep. Kathy Ryg, D-Vernon Hills, along with other area leaders, to form the Lake County Transportation Alliance, using

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Illinois Senate District 30
ENDORSEMENT: Link (D)

We see no reason that incumbent Democrat Terry Link should not be re-elected.

He has maintained close ties to his eastern Lake County district (including Waukegan, Park City and Vernon Hills) and has a strong record of bipartisan work in the Legislature.

He must, however, take a more discreet approach to telecommunication legislation,

given his personal family connection to the industry.

But his Republican opponent, Charles Fitzgerald, isn't without his own conflict. He would not give up his second governmental job, as a township supervisor - to protect the office from being dismantled, he says. If that's his primary commitment, he probably should not have run for the Senate.

Fitzgerald: District 'ripe for change'

By MATT PERA
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About the candidate

Charles Fitzgerald
Candidacy: Illinois 30th State Senate District

Hometown: North Chicago

Education: Associate Degree, College of Lake County; Bachelor's Degree, Barat College (Lake Forest); Graduate Certificate, George Washington University Washington Representative Program in Government Relations
Occupation: Shields Township supervisor



Charles Fitzgerald

Charles Fitzgerald is quick to point out that he is no novice when it comes to public service.

He has been the Shields Township supervisor since 1995; worked on the staff of U.S. Rep. John Porter, who represented Illinois' 10th District until 2000; and was a public policy consultant in Washington, D.C.

Now, for a second consecutive time, Fitzgerald, of North Chicago, is taking on State Sen. Terry Link, D-Waukegan, in State Senate District 30.

The Republican challenger said he hoped to bring a new perspective to a district that is "ripe for change."

"I look at this district as [having] great opportunities that have been missed from the north side of Waukegan down to Wheeling," he said. "I see two wonderful communities in North Chicago and Waukegan [where] the issues have not been addressed down in Springfield - economic development, job training [and] businesses being brought into the community."

Fitzgerald added that he saw Waukegan and North Chicago as two of the district's "major economic engines" that he would focus on.

In terms of transportation, Fitzgerald pointed to the Route 53 extension from Lake Cook

Road to Route 120 as a major project that he would devote attention to in Springfield. He said the project would be a major step in relieving congestion in Lake County.

"We have seen major transportation problems in Vernon Hills and Buffalo Grove and it's a big funnel, and it all ends up there at Lake Cook Road," Fitzgerald said. "We send a lot of money to Springfield that does not come back to this district. It trickles back, but not to the degree that it should."

Fitzgerald said education funding was another key concern, suggesting that Illinois legislators look to other states to find successful policies.

"The state should be able to come up with a way to continuously fund or fix the problem," he said. "All legislators are tired of this issue."

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Snapshot

Your thoughts on this week's hot topic

"Do you plan to vote in the Nov. 7 election? What is the most important issue to you?"



"Yes, the right person for the right job."

Dan Neilson
Grayslake



"Yes ... not really. I just live life."

Steven
Schalck
Gages Lake



"Yes, getting a non-corrupt government."

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"I don't know if I'll vote; it's a hard election. I am not sure there is a good selection."

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31ST LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

Simpson seeks Senate position

By KATHY GRESEY
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State Senate District 31 candidate Sue Simpson believes her government experience will aid her in Springfield, should she be elected Nov. 7.

The Warren Township supervisor was a state representative from 2001 to 2003. She also has been a member of the Lake County Regional Planning Commission, Lake County Zoning Board of Appeals, and Solid Waste Agency of Lake County.

Simpson said she was running for the Senate so she could make the 31st District a better place to live. She has been a northern Lake County resident her whole life.

"I got involved with politics when I found out a road was going to be coming through my home," she said. "I started asking questions."

Tax reform, health care and education rate high on the Republican candidate's

About the candidate

Sue Simpson, 52
Candidacy: Republican for state Senate District 31
Hometown: Unincorporated Lake County, near Grayslake
Family: Husband of 29 years Kent, and two daughters
Education: Warren Township High School graduate
Occupation: Warren Township supervisor, small business owner
No. 1 qualification for office: Local government record
Three most important issues to potential constituents: Tax reform, bringing an additional hospital to Lake County and education



Sue Simpson

list of priorities.

Simpson supports the tax cap that allows voters to decide on property tax increases, and she opposes any tax swap that takes money away from Lake County students.

Additionally, she wants to bring a full-service hospital to northern Lake County.

And, she wants to find more resources to improve education.

Citing her government background, Simpson said she would make a better state senator than her Democratic challenger, Michael Bond.

Bond, an Allstate Insurance Co. executive, sits on the Woodland District 50 school board.

"I bring experience to the table that my opponent does not," Simpson said. "My depth of knowledge is superior to my opponent."

Simpson added that being a member of the minority party would not stop her from being a successful senator.

"You have to work bipartisanly," she said. "I've done that, and I've done that effectively."

Simpson is a resident of unincorporated Lake County. She is married and has two children.

District 31 includes most of northern Lake County.



Illinois Senate District 31
ENDORSEMENT: Simpson (R)

Voters have two good choices to succeed veteran legislator Adeline Geo-Karis, but we like Suzanne Simpson, who defeated the incumbent in last spring's Republican primary.

With 10 years of local government experience, including a term in the Illinois House, Simpson is a thoughtful, articulate advocate for northern Lake County residents (including Antioch, Grayslake and Wadsworth).

She says her work in the Legislature would focus on transportation and bringing a medical center to the northern part of the county.

Democrat Michael Bond, a member of the District 50 school board, is a bright guy with a good understanding of the issues.

Although he identifies property tax reform as his primary issue, he is reluctant to talk specifics of his plan. Any real solution would involve a tax shift "to the state," as he explains it, but is that an increase in the sales tax? State income tax?

In either case, local voters ought to know where he wants them to pay.

About the candidate

Michael Bond, 36
Candidacy: Democrat for state Senate District 31
Hometown: Grayslake
Family: Wife of 11 years Jennifer, three children
Education: Bachelor of Arts degree from Southern Illinois University (Economics); Masters of Business Administration from Roosevelt University
Occupation: Director of corporate finance for Allstate Insurance Company; Woodland District 50 board member
No. 1 qualification for office: Business background in finance and marketing
Three most important issues to potential constituents: Property taxes, education and traffic



Michael Bond

Bond's main goal: property tax relief

By KATHY GRESEY
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Michael Bond, Democratic candidate for state Senate District 31, wants property tax relief in northern Lake County.

Bond, finance director for Allstate Insurance Co., believes he is well equipped to reform the current property tax system.

Bond has been employed at Allstate for 10 years. He said his business and strategic planning expertise would get him far in Springfield.

"I can bring some skills to the state legislature," he said. "I'm uniquely qualified. I'm not a career politician."

Bond said he became interested in the

Senate position after noticing that local schools were struggling and that property taxes were increasing.

He added that, as a taxpayer and a parent, he felt the need to act.

"I'm not sitting at home thinking about it; I'm doing something about it," he said. "I'm a concerned parent and a businessman. And I'm putting my corporate career on hold to do this."

Currently, Bond is a member of the Woodland District 50 Board of Education.

As a state senator, Bond said he would advocate for a substantial increase in state school funding.

Bond also said he would like to improve roads and bring commercial business to Lake County.

"I want to build a biotech corridor," Bond said. "Let's not just have two pharmaceutical leaders here. Let's have 12."

The candidate said he would not be running for the Senate unless he felt he could make a positive difference in the 31st District.

He explained that although he and his opponent, Sue Simpson, agreed on many of the issues facing Lake County, they had different means of resolving them.

"I'll have the ear of the majority caucus," Bond said. "That will help."

Bond is 36 years old and lives in Grayslake. He is married and has three children.

District 31 includes most of northern Lake County.

51ST REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

Illinois House District 51 ENDORSEMENT: Howland (D)

Incumbent Republican Ed Sullivan Jr. is right: There is no law against him serving both as a township assessor and a state legislator. But that doesn't mean there shouldn't be. His populist appeal would be more ap-

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pealing if he didn't hold two influential government jobs.
What's not to like about Democrat Amanda

Howland's promise to devote full time to representing this district in south-central Lake County (including Libertyville, Mundelein and Round Lake Park)? Her broad experience as a special education teacher, school principal and — most recently — a lawyer makes her a candidate with leadership potential in Springfield.

Howland's focal point based on education

By DANIEL J. PATRICK
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Unity, fiscal responsibility and education are three of the biggest issues that Amanda Howland is basing her campaign upon.

Running this fall for the State Representative District 51, Howland wants to be able to free up tax money that can be better used for education. Howland said that sacrifices must be made in order to improve Illinois.

"It's going to take really hard work on the part of the legislature and all of the legislators [to correct fiscal spending problems]," Howland said. "There's going to have to be give and take and people aren't going to like it. We got ourselves into this position and now we've got to dig ourselves out."

"It's going to take working together and talking with each other and determining where we can go and what we can do and what our real priorities are without all the politicizing that's been going on."

One priority of the Howland camp is to work with planned growth in order to soften existing and future traffic problems facing the area.

"I hear on a daily basis as I go door to door that people are absolutely frustrated with the gridlock on the roads," Howland said. "They are also very frustrated with the fact that we are building strip

About the candidate

Amanda Howland, 53
Candidacy: State Representative District 51

Hometown: Lake Zurich
Family: Husband, mother, three younger sisters

Education: B.S. in Education, Central Michigan University; M.A. in Psychology, Michigan State University; M.S. in Educational Administration, Northern Illinois University; Juris Doctor, Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology

Occupation: Attorney, currently in a leave of absence

No. 1 qualification for office: "I am a proven communicator, mediator and educator."

Three most important issues to potential constituents: Taxes, healthcare and illegal immigration



Amanda Howland

mall after strip mall when we've got large buildings sitting empty."

Howland cites lack of funding for education as one of the biggest problems facing Illinois today and believes her experience as a teacher and principal will help her in Springfield. Her solutions for education funding problems revolve around consolidation, such as eliminating unneeded school administration and working to get elementary and high school districts to work together.

Sullivan running on experience

By DANIEL J. PATRICK
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Ed Sullivan Jr. believes his record as a state representative should stand on its own.

Sullivan is running against Amanda Howland for re-election for the State Representative District 51 on the belief that his work has led to harsher penalties for sex offenders and curbed unneeded taxes.

Fiscal responsibility is a major issue in Sullivan's eyes. Sullivan said that establishing Illinois on a solid financial footing will be his top priority in office.

"We have to reallocate our dollars more wisely," Sullivan said. "The problem is that all

new revenues over the next four or five years are going to be eaten up by expansion of programs. So we need to look at what programs are duplicative, what programs that we don't possibly need, and go from there and cut some of these programs."

Sullivan said one of his strengths lies in his ability to compromise with other state representatives without being influenced by outside constituents.

"I ran against the party candidate and I've run on my own resources because you don't want to be held to the needs of any special interest groups," Sullivan said. "I work extremely well on both sides of the aisle."

About the candidate

Edwin O. Sullivan, 37
Candidacy: State Representative District 51

Hometown: Mundelein
Family: Single

Education: B.A. History, B.A. Political Science, University of Illinois

Occupation: State representative, Fremont Township Assessor

No. 1 qualification for office: Experience as an assessor and state representative

Three most important issues to potential constituents: Fiscal responsibility, increasing revenue for schools and cleaning up corruption in government



Ed Sullivan Jr.

62ND REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

Illinois House District 62 ENDORSEMENT: Cole (R)

County Board member Sandy Cole, a Republican, knows her stuff, and we believe her command of local issues would make her an ideal representative of this central Lake County district (including Grayslake, Gurnee and Round Lake Beach). Her record of delivering constituent services, along with her keen knowledge of growth and development matters, indicates Cole will be an effective legislator.

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Democrat Sharyn Elman's aggressive door-to-door campaign shows she understands the importance of connecting with constituents. But she simply does not have the depth of knowledge on issues that her opponent displays.

Cole sets sights on 62nd

By HELEN MANSFIELD
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About the candidate

Sandy Cole, 52
Candidacy: State Representative, District 62
Hometown: Grayslake

Family: Mother of three: Emily, 27, Kevin, 20, Kelsey, 19. Married 22 years to Stephen Cole.

Education: Rockford College, Bachelor of Science, 1976; Wheeling High School (Illinois State Scholar)

Occupation: Served as a full-time county board member since December of 1996.

No. 1 qualification for office: "A proven leader with experience."

Three most important issues to potential constituents: School funding, traffic congestion and accessible health care.



Sandy Cole

In the past two decades, it has been argued, Democrats have tried to ingrain in the public's collective psyche the idea that Republicans don't care about environmental issues. Sandy Cole, Republican candidate for State Representative District 62, has tried to buck that mentality in her 10 years of public service.

Cole said she became concerned about the environment by simply being a home owner. She served as the director of the Lake County Soil and Water Conservation District for two years and is concerned about how bringing much-needed infrastructure will affect the area. Cole also is concerned by the lack of available drinking water in the western part of Lake County, especially in areas such as the Grandwood Park commu-

nity.

Having served four terms on the Lake County Board, Cole said, she knows how to create a budget and prioritize it.

Elman proud of objectivity

By HELEN MANSFIELD
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About the candidate

Sharyn Elman, 47
Candidacy: State Representative, District 62

Hometown: Gurnee

Family: Immediate family lives in the 62nd District. Dad, step-mother, sister, niece, nephew and brother-in-law live in Grayslake and Gurnee.

Education: B.A. Journalism, Columbia College

Occupation: Full-time candidate

No. 1 qualification for office: Ability to work with everyone, research smart solutions to our states challenges.

Three most important issues to potential constituents: Education, addressing traffic gridlock and health care.



Sharyn Elman

Sharyn Elman, Democratic candidate for Illinois House District 62, describes herself as a passionate, driven, hard worker.

As a former journalist, she prides herself on her objectivity and her consistent search for truth. She believes these traits would allow her to seek transparency and accountability in state government.

Elman said the state has a fairly large transportation budget. The only problem is, no one from the district "goes to Springfield to get it."

As for her No. 1 traffic concern, Elman sites Route 21. With so few hospitals in the area, emergency vehicles traveling to Condell Medical Center can be impeded by traffic or an accident.

To make the education budget go further, Elman said, districts need to work together and create

consortiums to increase their purchasing power.

"If you're going to ask residents to do more with less, the state government should, too," Elman said.

LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF

LAKE COUNTY
JOURNALSLake County Sheriff
ENDORSEMENT: Del Re (R)

With the huge administrative responsibility of the Lake County sheriff, who has more than 500 employees, maybe experience in law enforcement is not a requirement to do the job well. But it has to be an advantage in carrying out the focus of the position, which is why we think incumbent Republican Gary Del Re, a veteran lawman, is the better candidate.

We wish this endorsement could be more forceful,

but serious lapses in oversight during the sheriff's current term have embarrassed the office. We hope the corrective measures Del Re has taken will prevent further damage. In any case, we are not convinced that Democratic challenger Mark Curran Jr., an experienced prosecutor and defense attorney, would bring any expertise to improve the sheriff's department in a meaningful way.

Del Re seeks to stretch tenure

By EMILY PREVITI
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Gary Del Re is living a dream beyond his wildest.

"To become sheriff is something I never dreamed of," he said of his ascent from Buffalo Grove police officer to Lake County Sheriff in 1998.

To retain his post, Republican Del Re must defeat Democratic challenger Mark C. Curran Jr., a Waukegan-based defense attorney.

Throughout the fall 2006 campaign, Del Re has touted the accomplishments of the department during his tenure: deputies' seizure of \$211 million worth of drugs and 1,100 guns, and the top spot among Illinois counties for DUI arrests (556 last year).

He also stressed his empathy for officers on the street.

"They don't want a defense attorney [handling] oversight," he said.

Yet he noted the distinction between administration and the rank and file when he explained

About the candidate

Gary Del Re, 57

Candidacy: Sheriff
Hometown: Mundelein
Family: Wife Sandra, sons Gary and David
Education: B.A. Business, Columbia College; graduate of Northwestern University's Traffic Institute for Police and the Senior Management Institute for Police
Occupation: Sheriff of Lake County
No. 1 qualification for office: 33 years of law enforcement experience
Three most important issues to potential constituents: Controlling guns, gangs and drugs



Gary Del Re

the Lake County Sheriff's Fraternal Order of Police's endorsement of Curran, despite Del Re's professed enhancement of working conditions, benefits and wage structure for his force.

"It's a labor union and I'm management," he said. "I've never sought their endorsement."

Republicans Michael Waller, Lake County State's Attorney, and Jim Ryan, former attorney general and candidate for governor, have endorsed Del Re.

Curran approaches race with 'humility'

By EMILY PREVITI
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GRAYSLAKE — As Mark C. Curran Jr. speaks, he weaves in quotes from past presidents such as Abraham Lincoln.

Perhaps Curran hopes that reference will emphasize an honesty he finds lacking in the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

Curran, a Democrat, is challenging Republican incumbent Gary Del Re.

Curran said his "passion for law enforcement" prompted his campaign, as did the "bad situation" within the sheriff's office.

Curran started his career as an assistant state's attorney in Lake County. He then worked in the criminal division of the Illinois attorney general's office. Curran's campaign literature plugs his conviction of criminals. He now is a defense attorney in Waukegan. He has also taught classes in criminal justice at institutions that include Del Re's alma mater,

About the candidate

Mark C. Curran Jr., 43

Candidacy:

Sheriff

Hometown:

Libertyville

Family: Wife

Irene, sons Mark III,

9, George, 7, Peter 2

Education: B.A.

Business, Spring Hill

College, Mobile,

Ala.; IIT-Chicago-

Kent College of Law

Occupation:

Ability to manage

\$50 million budget, office with more than 500 employees

No. 1 qualification for office: 33 years of law enforcement experience**Three most important issues to potential constituents:** Professionalize the office, restore taxpayers' confidence that money is handled with care, implement progressive crime prevention programs

Mark Curran Jr.

Columbia College.

Curran pointed out that his experience would widen the perspective of the office.

"Police and prosecution work hand-in-hand," Curran said.

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8th District Lake County Board
ENDORSEMENT: Sabonjian (D)

Republican Ed Sabourin is clearly the best challenger on the ballot for the County Board. His business experience and time to devote to the job (he is retired) are attractive. Still, Bob Sabonjian brings eight years of experience in dealing with county issues. And his record of delivering constituent services is impressive.

About the candidate

Robert Sabonjian, 51
Candidacy: Incumbent Lake County Board District 8
Hometown: Waukegan

Family: Wife, JoAn
Education: Bachelor of fine arts, Northern Illinois University
Occupation: County board, commercial video and photography services



Robert Sabonjian

No. 1 qualification for office: Eight years of experience as a county board member and dedication to work for the people of District 8.

Three most important issues to potential constituents: Providing county resources to Waukegan, working to maintain funding and expertise of Health Department clinics, provide an honest and open form in government

Top Priority in office: Continue to bring county resources to District 8 and work with residents in a professional and timely manner.

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About the candidate

Ed Sabourin, 69
Candidacy: Lake County Board District 8
Hometown: Waukegan

Family: Married for 46 years; wife Gloria, three sons and two grandchildren
Education: Bachelor of Science degree, Western Illinois University; Penn State University Business program

Occupation: Retired industrial supply distributor

No. 1 qualification for office: Experienced businessman

Three most important issues to potential constituents: Employment growth/economic/business retention, reinvestment in existing roads and infrastructure, and reduction of local tax assessments

Top Priority in office: Improving the quality of life in Waukegan and Lake County.



Ed Sabourin

-Lake County Journals

2ND DISTRICT LAKE COUNTY BOARD

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2nd District Lake County Board ENDORSEMENT: Whitmore (R)

Randall Whitmore's experience, as a business owner and county board member, make him a clear choice over his Democratic challenger, Diane Hewitt. She has desire to serve and to make a difference in her district, but her experience pales in comparison to the Republican incumbent.

Democrat goes for D-2 county board

By EMILY PREVITI

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About the candidate

Diane Hewitt, 52
Candidacy: Lake County Board District 2
Hometown: Waukegan

Education: Some college
Occupation: Housewife
No. 1 qualification for office: Experience with tax levies, budgets and intergovernmental agreement for Waukegan Township Highway Department



Diane Hewitt

Diane Hewitt enlisted a little help from her friends as the countdown to the election for Lake County Board District 2 entered its final two weeks.

Eight people helped her stuff envelopes at Democratic Headquarters, 709 North Ave., in Waukegan, on Oct. 25.

Hewitt, a Democrat, is running against Republican incumbent Randall Whitmore.

The District includes Beach Park, Gurnee, Wadsworth and Waukegan.

"People are disgusted," she said, pointing to rising property taxes and growth that do not take into account impact on water supply and traffic congestion. "I don't view the proliferation of strip malls and mini-marts as smart growth or sound economic development."

When questioned about her qualifications, Hewitt emphasized her presence in the commu-

nity. Hewitt said she sat on parents' organizations and pointed to her position as precinct committeeman for Waukegan Democrats, too.

Hewitt said her experience as a real estate broker, retail sales manager and foreman for the Waukegan Township Highway Department have left her with insight to effectively advocate for residents in the 2nd District.

7TH DISTRICT LAKE COUNTY BOARD

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7th District Lake County Board ENDORSEMENT: Carlson (R)

As a self-described "regular Joe," Kurt Anderson makes an interesting case as the Democratic challenger to incumbent Republican Steve Carlson. But we like Carlson, the self-described "health guy" on the board. His passion for issues is evident, and nowhere is it more clear than in his anti-smoking crusade.

Carlson hopes to retain seat

By TARA CLIFTON

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About the candidate

Stephen Carlson, 57
Candidacy: Lake County Board District 7
Hometown: Des Plaines

Education: Some college
Occupation: Lake County board member
No. 1 qualification for office: Willingness and ability to do the job well.
Top Priority in office: Make constituents happy.



Stephen Carlson

Stephen Carlson is passionate about the subjects he discusses and focuses on.

For the District 7 Lake County Board member, who is running for re-election Nov. 7 against challenger Kurt Anderson, those subjects are the dwindling supply of water, property taxes, making the county smoke free, traffic problems, and more.

As chairman of the Health and Human Services committee on the board, Carlson is known as "the health guy," he said.

Making Lake County healthier and more efficient are two main concerns on Carlson's list, should he be re-elected.

"I want a smoke free Lake County, and I'll fight like heck for

it," Carlson said, thumping his hand hard against a table.

Carlson wants to minimize the number of new large commercial developments, especially those that unwisely use taxpayers' money, he said.

Businessman seeks re-election for D-2

By STEVE PETERSON

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About the candidate

Randall Whitmore,
Candidacy: Incumbent Lake County Board District 2
Hometown: Wadsworth
Occupation: Lake County board member, Whitmore Trucking Service



Randall Whitmore

Randy Whitmore, of Wadsworth, is a Republican seeking re-election to a second term on the Lake County Board. He is being challenged by Democrat Diane Hewitt.

"I feel that I have done a good job for the district," Whitmore said at a Newport Township Republican event. "I am proud to have brought the law enforcement training site to Russell. It is in its early stages."

Another effort Whitmore has backed is the Route 173 corridor council.

"It is very important to keep the county board seat in Republican hands due to the hard work of conservatives," Whitmore said.

Whitmore said he is now satisfied with the direction of the Lake County Forest Preserve with new director Tom Hahn and President Bonnie Thomson Carter, R-Ingleside.

"Randy has done a good job for Newport Township and District 2. Having his business background on the board is critical," said Bob Neal, Newport Township Republican chairman. "He knows how to balance a budget."

Whitmore is the owner of Whitmore Trucking Service of Wadsworth.

"Business is important to the vitality of Lake County," he said. "I am dedicated to a responsible and realistic approach to promoting economic growth while protecting our quality of life."

Fundamental idea man

By TARA CLIFTON

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About the candidate

Kurt Anderson, 49
Candidacy: Lake County Board District 7
Hometown: Gurnee
Education: Warren Township High School
Occupation: Electrician
No. 1 qualification for office: Lifelong resident

Top Priority in office: Promote Lake County workers for contracts for Lake County work.

(Photo unavailable)

Kurt Anderson enjoyed answering questions on topics that he feels strongly about, such as keeping jobs in Lake County and fixing transportation problems.

Anderson is the Democratic challenger against Republican incumbent Steve Carlson for the Lake County Board's 7th District.

Anderson, a resident and Gurnee native, said his biggest goal if elected to the board is to give local contractors more business for county projects.

As a business representative for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Anderson said he has

seen Lake County businesses lose work when officials have hired outside contractors.

Anderson also wants to find alternative water sources.

"It's probably going to be as important as oil in a few years," he said. "We have to take a look at that before it becomes a big problem."

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15TH DISTRICT LAKE COUNTY BOARD

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Lake County Board District 15
ENDORSEMENT: Calabresa (R)

Incumbent Republican Carol Calabresa is proud of her record of "conservation, preservation and restoration." And she can rightly boast of fighting for open space initiatives "even when it wasn't popular." We like such pluck and independence. Democrat Delfino Parra is an earnest man who is running to make a contribution and a difference, but he's facing a more qualified opponent.

Calabresa addresses transportation issues

By JESSICA JACOBSEN

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With the recent birth of her first grandchild and being a Lake County board member for 20 years, Carol Calabresa might seem ready for a rest. But looking at her agenda, it is clear she is not.

Calabresa, the Republican Lake County board District 15 representative, has spent 20 years of her 22-year government career with the board, and in that time she has been a part of many activities, including environmental ones.

"Maybe [it's] because I grew up on a farm in Wisconsin," Calabresa said.

Among Calabresa's contributions are as chairwoman for the Planning Conservation and Development committee and member of Liberty Prairie Reserve Planning Council and Lake County Forest Preserve.

Since joining the forest preserve in 1986, Calabresa has been its treasurer, vice president and president, along with helping the county to acquire

About the candidate

Carol Calabresa, 62

Candidacy: Republican, Lake County Board District 15

Hometown: Libertyville

Education: Bachelor of Science degree in political science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison

Occupation: Full-time county board member
No. 1 qualification for office: Having 22 years experience in government



Carol Calabresa

more than 25,000 acres of land during the years.

Aside from environmental work, Calabresa has addressed the county transportation issue.

"I'd like to see traffic moving, instead of a parking lot," Calabresa said.

Transportation projects she has been working on include the traffic congestion on Routes 21 to 120 and the Butterfield Road construction.

District 15 covers Mundelein and Libertyville.

Parra involved

By DANI SCHWEIGERT

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When Delfino "Del" Parra had a complaint with the Lake County Department of Transportation, he asked his county representative for help. After feeling ignored by both the department and his representative, Parra said, he knew what needed to be done - he had to run for the Lake County Board District 15, which covers Mundelein and Libertyville.

"I was ignored for three years," Parra said. "I will not do that. I don't want people to have to go through that. I would like to be fair to everybody."

And being fair to all Lake County residents seems to be an easy task for Parra. He knows many of the people in the area through his involvement with Diamond Lake School District 76 and Mundelein High School District 120, along with volunteering for several organizations in the community.

"By volunteering, you get to know a lot of people and how they feel about a lot of things," Parra said. "I like to ask a lot of questions and find common ground. The people are familiar with me and feel more comfortable talking to me. I know the issues for families."

If elected to the board, Parra said he will address increasing job opportunities, cleaner water and improvements to area roads.

Parra said the current Lake County board was doing several things well, but he added there are still improvements to be made.

"The board is managing the budget OK, and they are working together to create a plan for the roads, but I can't say they are doing too much for residents," he said. "I want to bring unity. We don't need to think together to work together."

About the candidate

Delfino Parra, 58

Candidacy: Democrat, Lake County Board District 15

Hometown: Libertyville

Occupation: Director of the Family Resource Center at Diamond Lake School District 76, a consultant for the Mundelein High School District 120 and Graduation Task Force Outreach Coordinator

No. 1 qualification for office: Involvement with the community



Del Parra

Letters to the Editor

New revolution

To the Editor:

Can we believe anything that comes out of the Bush Administration? The federal economic report [recently] said that the economy is still growing. For who? Not George the painter and Jean the full-time secretary and part-time cashier.

Health care out-of-pocket costs are up. Education costs are up. Interest rates up. Costs of goods are up. Gas is up. The dollar store just started offering two for \$5.

When I voted for (and canvassed for) Melissa Bean in order to oust the 30-year out-of-touch incumbent Republican Phil Crane, I thought at last we will get some representation in District 8. Was I disappointed. She has voted for every major bill that hurts working families - CAFTA, Bankruptcy bill, and the tax relief for Paris Hilton bill. In fact Bean is rated an "F" on the middle class record by the Drum Major Institute for Public Policy. With friends like this who needs enemies?

It is a real shame in this country that if you are not personally wealthy or aligned with big money donors and political parties, it is just about impossible for ordinary folks to participate in government. But there is someone out there trying to change the system who deserves every working person's support. That man is Bill Schuerer, independent candidate for Congress. The new Moderate Party is ready to work for the people, not the corporate special interests. This is the common sense, common man party, and I urge you to join the Second American Revolution. Check it out at www.WinWithBill.com.

Jean Paskalides

Island Lake

Moving to the middle?

To the Editor:

I'm writing to send your readers a message: Lake County is turning purple.

The area, as I'm sure you know, has been Republican red for a long time. However, there is a new crop of Democratic candidates with enough sense and the requisite skills to actually win here. Melissa Bean has won up here with her business skills and skilled approach to solving problems. Several other folks running this year, such as Michael Bond, seem to have similar ideas. A few of them can actually pull it out this year.

I'm very excited that northern Illinois is coming back to the middle. Sen. Adeline Geo-Karis, at the state level, has been very effective because she has been willing to work across the aisle to actually do what's best for us, the citizens. Now we have these Democrats who seem to be willing to do the same thing, both in the state and federal governments.

I hope some of these candidates win this year. I'm tired of having my vote taken for granted by either party.

Cheryl Greenman

Grayslake

Conscientious, effective

To the Editor:

Melissa Bean has diligently visited her district to gather the views and priorities of the people. The Chicago Tribune tells us that she has voted with business interests 70 percent of the time and labor 73 percent. She has conscientiously represented the people rather than a party ideology.

She has effectively sponsored legislation and formed bipartisan alliances to pass legislation important to the 8th District. That is a remarkable achievement for a first term and bodes well for the future.

The people will be well served by re-electing Melissa Bean to Congress.

Phyllis and Doug Mohler

Mundelein

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A fight for small businesses

• MCSWEENEY

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volunteered for Ronald Reagan's first presidential campaign.

"He is a great role model who stood up to the U.S.S.R.," McSweeney said.

One focus McSweeney has is preserving America's manufacturing base.

"I want to help small businesses," McSweeney said. "And once I get to Washington, D.C., I will stand up for reform of Congress."

A graduate of Barrington High School in 1983, McSweeney earned degrees at Duke University. His dad, Bill, was a Democrat who did not vote for a Republican until Reagan in 1980. His mother, Clarice, also had a strong

influence on him. He is their youngest child.

McSweeney beat a crowded field in March, the toughest challenge from Kathy Salvi, to be the nominee.

"That was a good experience. It showed the importance of a good organization," McSweeney said.

McSweeney hopes to make it 2-for-2 with an election night gathering at headquarters in Lake Zurich.

"No matter what happens, I believe that I have given it my best shot," McSweeney said.

McSweeney earlier served as Palatine Township trustee and precinct committeeman in Schaumburg and Palatine Townships, and he once challenged Republican Congressman Phil Crane.

Bean: 'We can't force democracy'

• BEAN

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tors had been, Bean was quick to summon the name of John Murtha of Pennsylvania. A decorated Vietnam veteran, Murtha has drawn the ire of the president and the Republican Party for calling for an immediate withdrawal from Iraq, though Bean is not willing to go that far herself.

"We can't force democracy; we're impatient," Bean said. "Those who took us there said we'd be in and out and the oil would pay for everything. I'm not in favor of a timetable or support a withdrawal."

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'He's in the money'

To the Editor:

Two important issues confront the nation now. They are rising gasoline prices and protecting our borders.

David McSweeney is on the money on both issues. His three-point plan to control gasoline prices is comprehensive and makes sense.

Reduce the oil reserves by 5 percent, making more oil available, immediately create a single national standard for refined gasoline, and use closed military bases to build new refineries. The draw down of the reserves would likely reduce oil prices, which translate to lower gasoline prices. Regional standards on gasoline make it harder to ship gasoline nationally creating artificial shortages. A single standard would alleviate those shortages. Building new refineries would create jobs and increase available gasoline supplies driving down prices.

Melissa Bean has done nothing to fix the problem. She voted against HR 5429 meant for safe drilling, voted against HR4761 for Atlantic and Pacific offshore drilling, and she's against streamlining the process for building new refineries. Bean has no plan.

David McSweeney does, and deserves our votes to become our congressman from the 8th district. McSweeney also supports safe development of additional nuclear power plants and the development of wind and solar power producing facilities. He is in favor of hybrid automobiles.

McSweeney gets my vote this November.

Chuck Rowland
Zion

A vote for Kirk

To the Editor:

Congressman Mark Kirk has done so much in the 10th District since he was elected as our U.S. Representative. One thing he has done has been to secure \$100,000 for gang prevention programs in Lake County. He also continues to work on the clean-up of Waukegan Harbor to protect us from mercury pollution. He's been working to keep invasive species of fish out of Lake Michigan, which is a big help to the fishers.

Congressman Kirk is committed to relieving gridlock in our district and to improving transportation. He also saved the North Chicago Veterans Administration from closing and has advanced plans for a new state-of-the-art Navy-VA hospital and has now acquired a \$43 million federal grant for this new facility.

I think Congressman Kirk has done a lot of good for the 10th District and trust that most everyone feels the same way. Let's send Congressman Mark Kirk back to Washington, in the fall, to continue our tradition of thoughtful, independent leadership.

Paul H. Eagon
Waukegan

Unconstitutional

To the Editor:

Your July 28 issue includes a letter from Paul Eagon, of Waukegan, and he said that he supports Rep. Mark Kirk, partly because

of these reasons. Rep. Kirk secured \$100,000 for gang prevention programs in Lake County. He has worked the clean-up of Waukegan Harbor. He's committed to relieving gridlock.

The 10th Amendment of the Constitution states that all powers that aren't reserved for the federal government, in the Constitution, are reserved for the states.

The Constitution doesn't mention crime, pollution, or traffic, so federal involvement in those subjects is unconstitutional.

When Democrats controlled Congress, many Republicans said that, if they won control of Congress, they would decrease unconstitutional "pork barrel" spending, but they have continued to increase that unconstitutional spending. President Bush hasn't vetoed any spending bills. The Democrat in the 10th District race, Dan Seals, wants the federal government to increase health care spending, but health care isn't mentioned in the Constitution.

I wish that the 10th District had a congressional candidate who wants to obey the Constitution, but no such candidate is running.

Phil Collins
North Chicago

Stay the course

To the Editor:

I feel it necessary to express my support for the re-election of Sheriff Gary Del Re.

I have known the sheriff for more than 10 years, and my opinion of the sheriff's honesty and integrity remains steadfast. Each election cycle brings with it the unfortunate reality of negative campaigning. This election is no different, nationally, statewide and locally.

Throughout the last 10 years as sheriff, Gary has kept our community safe by developing intergovernmental relationships with law enforcement agencies not only locally, but statewide and federally. Gary was co-founder of the Lake County Major Crime Task Force, and the Lake County Sheriff's Department continues to provide the leading support for the Lake County Metropolitan Enforcement Group, whose primary focus is drug-related arrests and seizures.

Gary's commitment to protecting our children resulted in the development of a countrywide Web site listing sexual predators, deadbeat parents and most wanted criminals.

The sheriff's office has demonstrated its dedication to aggressively pursue Internet predators and has successfully arrested more than 200 of these individuals in the past two years. He has proven throughout his law enforcement career, which spans more than 30 years, a commitment to the protection of our citizens.

In my opinion, his educational background and law enforcement experience make him the clear choice for sheriff. Join me in staying the course with Sheriff Gary Del Re.

Mike Waller
Lake County State's Attorney

Enough is enough

I have spent the last few days reading news reports about the recently completed investigation into alleged misconduct at the Lake County Sheriffs Department.

State and county investigators report finding "serious" mismanagement of the

department's funds and poor accounting practices. Investigators also state that an outside audit determined that purchases and other contracts were handled with bids not being secured and policies not being followed. From Springfield, to Chicago, and now Lake County, it seems like many of our elected officials have lost their integrity and sense of accountability. Too many elected officials seem to think our tax dollars are for their personal pleasures.

I'm fed up with public officials who think the rules and laws apply to others, but themselves.

Mark Curran, a Democrat, wants to clean up the sheriff's office. He promises to restore integrity and professionalism to the department. I'm for that.

Kevin Beide
Waukegan

Working for the people

To the Editor:

I just read that Sen. Terry Link, a 10-year veteran of the Illinois General assembly has never missed a day of session in the entire time he has been in Springfield. Kudos to Sen. Link for taking his job so seriously and showing up for work every single day.

Sen. Link is a full-time legislator who is not distracted by other responsibilities and is working for the people in his district on a full time basis. We need more elected officials like Sen. Link. He gets my vote on Nov. 7.

Kent Moon
Waukegan

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Election-year gimmick

To the Editor:

In true election-year style, State Sen. Terry Link and State Rep. Kathy Ryg recently announced a \$500,000 "gift" to the Cook Memorial Library District for a new Vernon Hills library. While a politician passing out money in an election year is hardly surprising, it is troubling.

Apparently, the source for the \$500,000 has not been determined. My wild guess is that the money for this "gift" will come from Illinois taxpayers.

The current budget imbalance in Illinois is due primarily to profligate spending by the Blagojevich administration and Democrat-controlled General Assembly. The General Assembly approved this budget on party-line votes with Democrats voting to increase both spending and Illinois spiraling debt load and Republicans voting to hold the line on spending and prevent further public debt increases.

Given the Democratic administration's penchant for raiding public pension funds and highway funds to balance their Enron-style accounting system, I wonder how many generations of Illinois taxpayers will pay for this "gift." Look for higher tax bills that further erode Illinois competitive position in the global economy and hamper job growth.

While Sen. Link and Rep. Ryg ponder how many votes this election-year gimmick might buy, taxpayers ponder the certainty of higher tax bills for ourselves and future generations.

Don Castella

Lincolnshire

Great promise

To the Editor:

I recently had the privilege of meeting state senate candidate Michael Bond and asking him about his vision for education reform throughout northern Lake County. To say the least, I was relieved to finally meet a candidate who seemed not only determined to fix the crumbling school system, but also personally dedicated to the issue.

Recognizing the dire need for improvement, Michael ran for and currently serves on the Woodland District School Board to ensure that children like his own have every opportunity for a better education. Using his background in finance and budget management, Bond has already made a tremendous impact in seeing that tax dollars are spent effectively on our children and their education.

I commend Michael on his devotion to solving our imminent education crisis and find comfort in knowing that our next state senator is a man of great promise and potential.

Audra Sprinkle

Round Lake

She will make us proud

To the Editor:

I am writing in support of Sue Simpson for Illinois State Senate. I have known Sue for many years having grown up with her here in Warren Township. She is an honest, caring, and compassionate individual

that has a deep love for her community and her family.

Sue has a long list of accomplishments since being elected township supervisor. She considers people of all ages in her planning and decision-making. Sue worked to build the senior center, now an active place with many programs. She also recognized the need for our young people to have a place to go after school and worked tirelessly to establish two teen centers, in addition to building a skate park. Sue also recognized the opportunity to bring the youngest of our community together with the older generation by having preschoolers join the seniors for various program activities in the township center. She understands what community is all about and her passion for serving the people is genuine.

I encourage you to vote for Sue Simpson this November. She will represent you well and will be someone we will all be proud to call "Our Senator."

Donna Kolar

Gurnee

Disenfranchised

To the Editor:

I've been a Republican all my life, but I'm upset with the local party candidates.

Sharyn Elman, the Democratic candidate for state representative, visited me and I liked what she had to say. I liked her views on school funding and fixing the lousy traffic in Lake County, and I really admire her honesty.

This is one disenfranchised Republican that will be voting for Sharyn Elman.

Chris Cooper

In support of Sandy Cole

To the Editor:

During the past 10 years Sandy Cole has been effectively active in both the Lake County Board as well as the Lake County Forest Preserve. In the former she served vice chairman, chairman of the finance committee and chaired the health and services committee. In the latter she served as treasurer.

Frequently, I have viewed the county board meetings on Channel 18. Sandy always impressed me with her knowledge regarding the agenda items. It became obvious to me that this gal does her homework, for her comments continuously said so.

As a senior citizen, I've worked hard for my modest pension and I was shocked when the teachers pension fund was raided last year in Springfield. I've spoken with Sandy and she's against any further raids on teachers' pensions.

Now she is running for state representative of the 62nd District, and she promises to do so as a full time representative, disregarding special interest groups. I strongly urge you to cast your vote for Sandy Cole on Nov. 7.

Betty Freehling

Retired teacher, Dist. 113

She gets our votes

We were invited to a neighbor's home a few nights ago to meet Amanda Howland, candidate for the 51st District of the Illinois House. Introductory remarks gravitated to a conversation led by Amanda Howland, during which she discussed her broad philosophical position regarding the

overall political scene and the issues in particular.

It didn't take long to realize that she was an intelligent, well-educated and an unusual woman. She was nice. She had an informed, positive approach about matters of concern. Not that she did not understand the myriad problems surrounding every issue – it was obvious that she did. But she didn't dwell on the problems. She dwelt on approaches to solutions.

She was asked about her opponent, and she simply replied, "I think he is a nice person," and went on with her discussion. She avoided speaking poorly of him. She stayed away from the negatives. How refreshing in this period of mud slinging and negative rhetoric.

We were later told that there are significant differences between her and her opponent, and she understands those differences. That is why she is campaigning so hard to get into a position to represent her district.

Amanda Howland is getting our votes. We hope you will join us.

Harold and Roma Wright

Hawthorn Woods

A proven leader

To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to point out a couple of terrific accomplishments from my state representative, Ed Sullivan, Jr. As a member of local law enforcement, I believe that it is imperative that we recognize when our elected leaders aggressively fight to protect our communities.

I would like to thank Mr. Sullivan for co-sponsoring legislation that now requires all convicted sexual predators to be monitored with electronic monitoring devices for the duration of their parole.

Additionally, he fought to enact legislation that sets further standards for the reporting and tracking procedures for sex offenders. Clearly, this common sense legislation will help to protect our communities from the many dangers associated with repeat offenders.

Rep. Sullivan was also named as the Public Official of the Year by the Illinois Police Chiefs Association for 2005. He received this award for his tireless effort to give local law enforcement the ability to better serve and protect our community.

As a resident of the 51st Legislative District, I am proud to tout Mr. Sullivan as a proven leader and my state representative.

Rod Drobinski

Libertyville

He's a winner

To the Editor:

One of the things we like most about Randy Whitmore is his interest in helping you with a problem even though it might not be part of his job. Any citizen in Lake County can call him and expect to be treated with the same respect he gives the people in his district.

His dedication to his people is first and foremost and his upbringing is echoed in his courtesy he shows you as an individual.

He has excellent business sense and is a solid member of the community.

He worked for four years in helping a flood ravaged area and thanks to his ef-

forts they now are flood free. This was not in his district but his dedication to doing what was right achieved the results.

He is a supporter of the Lake County Forest Preserve and is at the forefront in preserving jobs in the county.

The senior citizens and the hard working middle class need him to fight for their rights and help control the spending in this county.

As a person who was born and raised in Lake County I have seen the good and bad pass through the county board, and let it be known that Randy Whitmore is a winner.

Gayle O'Connor

Lincolnshire

Vote 'yes' for schools

To the Editor:

The future of our community, Mundelein, lays in the children of today.

Did you know that our high school is in the bottom 3.5 percent of the financial list for the state of Illinois schools? Did you know that the number of children at Mundelein High School has increased more than 20 percent in the past five years while the dollars spent on a pupil has decreased more than 15 percent? Did you know that real estate agents would confirm that the quality of a school directly impacts property values, and people don't want to move into a district with a poor school system? Did you know that anyone who enjoys Starbucks is most likely spending more money annually on coffee than the requested increase in taxes for MHS?

Our community is not supporting our children. Our community is not supporting our future.

Did you know that the marquee was paid for mostly by the Forest Preserve? Did you know that any of the following improvements at MHS were paid for by booster clubs, donations and fund raisers: batting cages, field turf, gym scoreboards, gym floorboards, painting of the north gym and garbage cans?

Everyone – 18-year-olds, 20-somethings, singles, couples, parents, grandparents and senior citizens – is building a legacy now. Please leave behind responsible educated students who grow to build a strong community as we all mature and need their support in the future.

Please vote to improve our school system. Please vote to improve our community. Please vote to protect our future.

Vote "yes" for the referendum to support Mundelein High School on Nov. 7.

Cindy Boehm

Mundelein

Don't shoot the messenger

Big Hollow School District 38 is asking for a large, \$1.35 increase in its operational fund on the Nov. 7 ballot. The immediate reaction is the school is mismanaging its finances – a position taken by such anti-tax advocates as Jack Martin of the Taxpayers for Good Government.

The school is not the culprit, but the messenger. The Illinois school finance model is broken.

Jack Martin's critical look at the school's finances revealed a "giant" savings of \$549,000 throughout five years if teachers were not "overpaid" – this criticism of a staff that averages \$45,000 and has a

starting salary of \$28,838. The school is projecting five-year cumulative deficits nearing \$25 million. Mr. Martin's "solution" addresses less than three percent of the problem.

The CAC has investigated the school's finances and have found the following key issues:

- **Unfunded/under-funded mandates:** In 1975 the federal government passed the Individuals with Disabilities Act. It has gone on to become one of the greatest of all under-funded mandates. Big Hollow is projecting five-year special education fund deficits of \$17.52 million.

- **Residential Development:** Our recent residential growth has come at a price to all existing residents. Each student coming from our new developments comes with a tax bill. Every time a village like Volo, Lakemoor, Fox Lake and Round Lake approves a residential development with an insufficient tax/fee structure, they passed a tax increase on every one of us. Please visit us at <http://www.bighollow-cac.org> for a comprehensive discussion of these issues.

Boyce Carsella Jr.

Ingleside

Another fiasco

To the Editor:

The Big Hollow Citizens Advisory council (a.k.a. the school) asks for approval of a tax increase of \$1.35 to the existing \$2.43 for a total rate of \$3.78. "The Champion.org" says it's too high, the board mispends the money it gets now and that's too much.

I attended the school board presentation by the board's hired gun, PMA Financial Consultants. The bottom line for me was their projected \$25 million deficit in five years if nothing is done. I don't like that a lot.

I now pay more than \$4,000 annual property tax on a \$200,000 townhouse. If the referendum passes, it will add \$1,000 to my tax bill. That said, I wish for a long-term solution, like state-mandated tuition tax credits for everybody. But with the teachers unions supporting the politicians regarding the voters, that has little chance. I see another "Round Lake" fiasco in the making if nothing is done soon. I also lament the dumb idea of District 38's board issuing tax anticipation warrants to cover current bills and short-changing future income. But that's a done deal, and we are stuck with it.

It would be nice to have a "forensic audit" of the district's accounts to see whether there were any shenanigans with the new school contracts or other possible irregularities, but that also is after the fact. Whatever happens, we pay the bills.

So, very reluctantly, I will vote for the increase. It's the lesser of two evils. There are currently three board vacancies available and nobody is interested. The multimillion-dollar budget is really in the hands of the spenders, not the supposed managers. We get what we choose here. The only good news is the relatively good teachers, most underpaid, who turn out excellent graduates. They are neglected financially in this whole matter, and that should be fixed first.

Thaddeus Kochanny

Ingleside

It isn't enough to be cared for.
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ANTIOCH

- **NICC Turkey Shoot.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 5. Clubhouse, one-half mile south of Rt. 173 on east side of Rt. 83. Rounds of 25 shots will cost \$10. Bring your gun and ammunition. Colored-clay targets are hit for prizes. For more information, visit www.lakeonline.com/nicc.
- **Holiday Gift Bazaar.** After 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. services, Sunday, Nov. 5. Antioch United Methodist Church, 848 Main St. UNICEF items; Fair Trade coffee, cocoa and tea; catalog items from Heifer International; crafts from Red Bird Mission; and more. All proceeds go to the named organization. For more information, call (847) 395-1259.
- **Sub-committee meetings of Antioch Village Board.** 7 p.m., first Mondays. Committee meetings of the whole follow at 8 p.m. in the Village Hall Board Room, 874 Main St.
- **Village of Antioch Planning and Zoning Board meeting.** 7:30 p.m., second Thursdays. Municipal Building, 874 Main St. Call (847) 395-1000 to confirm.
- **American Business Women's Association meeting.** 8 a.m., second Wednesdays. Keller Williams Realty on Rt. 83 (south of Rt. 173). Call Nancy at (847) 838-6500 for information.
- **Bingo.** 12:45 p.m., Mondays. The Senior Center. Call (847) 395-0139 for details.
- **Bingo.** 6:45 p.m., Tuesdays. Antioch VFW. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Call (847) 395-5393 for more information.
- **Pinochle.** 12:30 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays. The Senior Center. Call (847) 395-0139 for details.
- **A Safe Place support group meeting.** Mondays. For women who are dealing with abuse in their homes. All are welcome. No fees. Call A Safe Place at (847) 249-4450 or (847) 249-6557 (TTY) or go to asafeplace-forhelp.org for more information.
- **CPR classes.** 6 p.m., second and fourth Wednesdays. Squad Building, 835 Holbek Dr., sponsored by Antioch Rescue Squad. \$5 fee. Call (847) 395-5511 to learn more.
- **Antioch Network of Friends meeting.** 7 p.m., first Tuesdays. Community Building, 884 Main St., back entrance. A multiple sclerosis support group. Call Louise at (847) 395-1317 or Rachel at (847) 973-1808 for details.
- **Take Off Pounds Sensibly meeting.** 6:30 p.m., Wednesdays, weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting. The Senior Center, 817 Holbek Dr. Call Dorothy Stark at (847) 395-7407 or Betty Muller at (847) 838-3907 for more information.
- **AFFTER (Advocates for Fibromyalgia Funding, Treatment Education and Research) support**

group meeting. 10 a.m.-noon, first Saturdays. Antioch's Community Building, 884 Main St. Call (847) 362-7807 or go to www.AFFTER.org for more information.

- **Kiwanis Club of Antioch meeting.** Noon, Tuesdays. Bacchus Restaurant. The public is welcome to join and share experience, knowledge and service project ideas. Call Melissa at (847) 489-8044 or e-mail at mjrigoni@hotmail.com for more information.

- **Antioch Women's Club meeting.** 1 p.m., second Wednesdays. Call Maureen Fremgen at (847) 395-5968 to learn more.

- **AARP Chapter 387 (for adults 55+) meeting.** 1 p.m., second and fourth Tuesdays. The Senior Center, 817 Holbek Dr. Call Sharon Nowak at (847) 395-5068 to learn more.

- **The Meeting House Museum.** 11 a.m.-3 p.m., first Saturdays. See original photos of Antioch and a veterans' exhibit of photos and memorabilia from the Civil War through the Gulf War.

- **Antioch Garden Club meeting.** 6:45 p.m., first Mondays. United Methodist Church, 848 Main St. All are welcome. Call Debbie at (847) 395-4699 to learn more.

- **Lakes Area Community Band rehearsal.** 7-9 p.m., Mondays. Antioch Community High School band room. Area musicians high school age and older are welcome to join. No auditions. Call Debbie Davis at (847) 395-0272 to learn more.

- **Open gym.** 7-9 p.m., Sundays. Antioch Community High School. \$2. Adults only.

CRYSTAL LAKE

- **Crystal Lake Toastmasters Club meeting.** 8-10 a.m., first and third Saturdays at Amcore Bank Building, Rt. 14 and Pingree Rd. Develop your presentation and leadership skills. For information, call Steve at (847) 526-1525 or visit <http://user.mc.net/~toast1>.

FOX LAKE

- **Lions Club Flower Show fundraiser.** Wednesday, Nov. 8. Grant Community High School, 285 E. Grand Ave. Admission is \$8 and about 50 arrangements will also be auctioned off. For more information, call (847) 587-2642.

- **Fox Lake Library Senior Coffee and Chat.** 9:30 a.m., first Tuesdays. Fox Lake Library, 255 E. Grand Ave.

GRAYSLAKE

- **PiCATsso-2006 Feline Art Exhibit.** 7 p.m., Friday, Nov. 3. Byron Colby Barn, 1561 Jones Point Rd. Fundraiser for Spay and Stay auctions off artwork created by feline artists. Complete instructions and registration forms are on www.spayandstay.org.

Tickets are \$40 pre-event and \$50 at the door. For more information and to purchase tickets, call (847) 289-4557 or visit www.spayandstay.org.

- **5th Annual Arts & Crafts Fair.** 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 4. Woodview School, 340 Alleghany Rd. Holiday gifts, crafts, bake sale and the Kid's Craft Workshop. Free admission. For more information, call Edye Thompson at (847) 548-6509.

- **Lake County Area Computer Enthusiasts meeting, "Adobe Photoshop Elements 5.0."** 12:30-3 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 4. Grayslake Area Public Library, 100 Library Ln. For more information, call Dwight "J.J." Johnson at (847) 623-3815 or visit www.lcace.org.

- **Holiday Expo.** 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 4. University Center of Lake County, Washington St. by CLC. Vendors, seminars, wine-tasting and chef demonstrations. For more information, call Kimberly Kreml at (847) 665-4010.

- **15th Annual Skip's Collectible and High Performance Car/Truck Parts Swap Meet and Car Sale.** 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 5. Lake County Fairgrounds, Rts. 120 and 45. Admission is \$7, children aged 6-11 \$2. For more information, call (630) 876-1042 or visit skipsusa.com.

- **Zurko's International Antique Market.** 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 12. Lake County Fairgrounds. For more information, call (715) 526-9769 or visit www.zurkoantiquetours.com.

GURNEE

- **Daniel Wright Toastmasters Open House.** 7-9 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 7. In-Laws Restaurant, 720 Milwaukee Ave. If you are interested in improving your public speaking, communication and leaderships, come and share pizza, soda and dessert. For more information, visit <http://danielwright.freetoasthost.org>.

- **Home Office Managers and Entrepreneurs meeting.** 9 a.m., second Wednesdays. First Midwest Bank, 300 N. Hunt Club Rd. Exchange ideas, guest speakers, referrals, share business-owner experiences. Call (847) 367-7118 for details.

- **Network Lake County meeting.** 8-9 a.m., Thursdays. A business networking group meeting in Gurnee. Call Boyce Buckner at (847) 838-0058 to learn more.

- **Lake County Chamber of Commerce networkers group meeting.** 7:30 a.m., first and third Fridays. In-Laws Restaurant, 720 N. Milwaukee Ave. Call (847) 249-3800 for information.

- **LeTip Networking Group meeting.** 7:01-8:31 a.m., Wednesdays. Panera Bread, 6557 Grand Ave. Guests are free. For more information, call Dennis Dean at (847) 231-3009.

- **Lake County Camera Club meeting.** 6:30 p.m., peer-to-peer discussion and socializing; 7:30, meeting, first Fridays. Warren Township Center, east crafts room, in park on southwest corner of Almond and Washington. Call Mike Ament at (847) 356-6937 (noon-6 p.m.) to learn more.

- **Lake County Spinner's Guild meeting.** 1:30-4 p.m., second Sundays. Warren-Newport Public Library. Enjoy the art of fiber spinning and meet fellow spinners. Call Carol at (847) 234-0778 or Chris at (847) 367-2536 to learn more.

- **Singles (ages 55+) Breakfast Group meeting.** 8:30 a.m., Saturdays. In-Laws Restaurant, 720 Milwaukee Ave. Call Chuck at (847) 362-5458 for details.

INGLESIDE

- **Fox Lake-Grant Township Area Historical Society General Meeting and Elections for 2007.** 7 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 9. Museum, 411 Washington St. Admission is free, but only dues-paid members may vote. For more information, call (847) 587-5044.

- **Grant Hall Museum.** 1-4 p.m., Sundays. Fox Lake-Grant Township Area Historical Society, 411 Washington St. Admission free, donations accepted. For information, call (847) 587-0544 or mail P.O. Box 224, Ingleside, IL 60041.

LAKE VILLA

- **Lake Villa Village Board meeting.** 8 p.m., second Wednesdays
- **Weigh to Win meeting.** 7-8 p.m., Tuesdays. Calvary Christian Center, Monaville Rd. Call (847) 356-6181 to learn more.

- **Lake Villa Take Off Pounds Sensibly meeting.** 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays. Church of the Holy Family, 25291 W. Lehman. Call Cathy at (847) 587-7710 or Debbie at (847) 687-5531 for details.

- **MOMS Club of Lake Villa/Lindenhurst meeting.** 9:30 a.m., Mondays. Lake Villa District Library, 1001 Grand Ave. Children welcome. For more information, call Erin Bearss at (847) 546-1545.

LINDENHURST

- **Lindenhurst Community Partnership meeting.** 7 p.m., second Wednesdays. Village Hall.
- **Free blood pressure screening.** 8 a.m.-noon, Mondays. Victory Lakes Continued Care Center. Call (847) 356-5900 to learn more.

- **VFW Post 4894 meeting.** 8 p.m., second Wednesdays. Civic Center. Call (847) 356-7482 for details.

ROUND LAKE

- **Big Brothers, Big Sisters meeting.** 6:30-8 p.m., Mondays. Calvary

Presbyterian Church, 510 Cedar Lake Rd. Call (847) 360-0770 for information.

- **Round Lake Alano Club dances.** Fridays. Call (847) 223-9706 for location.

ROUND LAKE HEIGHTS

- **Round Lake Area Community Band rehearsal.** 7-9 p.m., Tuesdays. Indian Hill School, 1920 N. Lotus Dr. New musicians and all instruments are always welcome. Call Christi at (847) 546-8558, ext. 422, to learn more.

ROUND LAKE PARK

- **Lake County Community Health Partnership Immunization Clinic.** 9-11 a.m., second Wednesdays. American Legion Hall, 111 E. Main St. Call (847) 377-8470 for details.

- **American Legion Post 1170 meeting.** 7 p.m., second Thursdays. 111 Main St. Open to public, new members are always welcome. Call the post at (847) 546-3512 for more information.

SPRING GROVE

- **Spring Grove Village Board meeting.** 6 p.m., first and third Tuesdays. Council Chambers at the Municipal Centre, 7401 Meyer Rd. For more information, call (815) 675-2121.

WADSWORTH

- **"Taste of France."** 7 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 11. Cornerstone Community Church, 40413 N. Delany Rd. Chef John W. Kaufmann presents a French cooking demonstration and an hors d'oeuvres tasting contest. Vendors will be on hand for holiday shopping. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. For more information, call (847) 244-3007.

SALEM, WIS.

- **Senior Coffee Hour.** 9 a.m., first Fridays. Salem Community Library, 24615 89th St. Coffee, healthy snacks, programs for seniors and good conversation. Call (262) 843-3348 for details.

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NASCAR THIS WEEK

NEXTEL CUP SERIES

■ Race: Dickies 500
■ Where: Texas Motor Speedway, Justin (1.5 miles), 334 laps/501 miles.
■ When: Sunday, Nov. 5
■ Last year's winner: Carl Edwards
■ Qualifying record: Bill Elliott, Dodge, 194.224 mph, April 5, 2002.
■ Race record: Carl Edwards, Ford, 151.055 mph, Nov. 6, 2005.
■ Last week: Contrary to earlier appearances, the champ is going out in style. It was just like old times at Atlanta Motor Speedway. Tony Stewart climbed out of his orange Chevrolet, climbed the fence, mounted the flag stand and waved a checkered flag to the enjoyment of fans crowding in for a closer look. Stewart's reign will soon end, but he's roaring along in

championship form. In fact, he's doing better than championship form. Stewart's only two Chase victories have occurred when he wasn't in it. Consistency earned him the championships in 2002 and 2005. In both seasons, Stewart's final victory occurred in the 22nd of 36 races. Unburdened from the rigors of championship contention, Stewart seems as unfettered as a soaring eagle. Risk taking won him the Oct. 1 race in Kansas — his Chevrolet coasted across the finish line, out of fuel — and unadulterated hard-charging carried him to victory in the Bass Pro Shops 500, where he led 146 of the 325 laps and vanquished the field in the waning laps.

BUSCH SERIES

■ Race: O'Reilly Challenge
■ Where: Texas Motor Speedway, Justin (1.5 miles), 200 laps/300 miles.
■ When: Saturday, Nov. 4
■ Last year's winner: Kevin Harvick
■ Qualifying record: Jeff Green, Chevrolet, 193.493 mph, April 5, 2002.
■ Race record: Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 138.019 mph, Nov. 5, 2005.
■ Last week: Kevin Harvick won for the eighth time this season, driving his Chevy to victory at Memphis Motorsports Park.

CRAFTSMAN TRUCK

■ Race: Silverado 350
■ Where: Texas Motor Speedway, Justin (1.5 miles), 146 laps/219 miles.
■ When: Friday, Nov. 3
■ Last year's winner: Todd Bodine
■ Qualifying record: Mike Skinner, Toyota, 183.206 mph, June 8, 2006.
■ Race record: Brendan Gaughan, Dodge, 137.736 mph, Sept. 13, 2002.
■ Last week: Mike Bliss drove a Chevrolet to victory in the EasyCare 200 at Atlanta Motor Speedway.

TEXAS DATA

Samsung/RadioShack 500 - April 9 **Dickies 500 Nov. 5**

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 Miles/Laps:.....501 mi. = 334 laps

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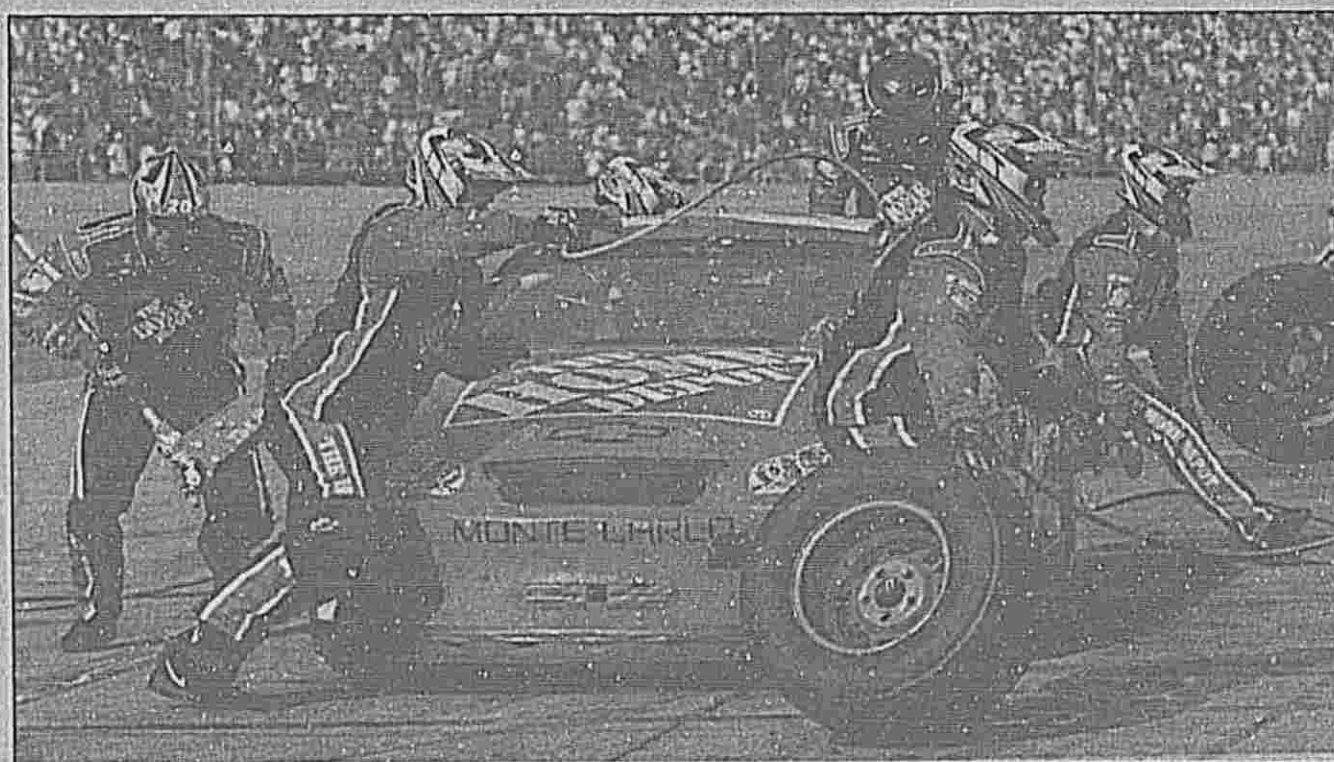
NEXTEL CUP	
1. Matt Kenseth	6,008
2. Jimmie Johnson	-26
3. Denny Hamlin	-65
4. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	-84
5. Jeff Burton	-84
6. Kevin Harvick	-121
7. Jeff Gordon	-146
8. Mark Martin	-201
9. Kasey Kahne	-210
10. Kyle Busch	-249

BUSCH SERIES	
1. Kevin Harvick*	5,133
2. Carl Edwards	-790
3. Clint Bowyer	-857
4. Denny Hamlin	-933
5. J.J. Yeley	-1,106
6. Paul Menard	-1,367
7. Kyle Busch	-1,453
8. Greg Biffle	-1,614
9. Johnny Sauter	-1,661
10. Reed Sorenson	-1,701

CRAFTSMAN TRUCK SERIES	
1. Todd Bodine	3,285
2. Johnny Benson	-86
3. David Reutimann	-190
4. Ted Musgrave	-271
5. Rick Crawford	-279
6. David Starr	-341
7. Ron Hornaday	-372
8. Jack Sprague	-418
9. Terry Cook	-422
10. Mike Bliss	-424

* clinched title

WHO'S HOT AND WHO'S NOT



John Clark/NASCAR This Week

Tony Stewart's crew works on his car during a pit stop in Daytona earlier this season.

► **Who's hot** — Tony Stewart, who isn't in the Chase in terms of championship contention, is the only driver with more than one victory in the first seven races of it. ... Matt Kenseth is the only driver to finish in the top 15 in six of the seven.

► **Who's not** — Kasey Kahne, 38th at Atlanta because of a wreck he caused, lost 111 points to points leader Kenseth. ... Mark Martin, who didn't cause his wreck, lost 107.

FEUD OF THE WEEK



Kahne



Stremme

Kasey Kahne vs. David Stremme

Kahne wrecked Stremme, admitted it and, given the disastrous consequences, couldn't possibly have done it intentionally. The two climbed out of their battered Dodges in the Atlanta Motor Speedway garage area and had to be separated, apparently because neither was listening to what the other was saying.

NASCAR This Week's Monte Dutton gives his take: "In a world increasingly controlled by people who pay more attention to what isn't said than what is, this silly little tiff shouldn't seem all that unusual. Perhaps Kahne apologized and Stremme's reaction was to think, 'Hmm, wonder what he really meant?'"

Earnhardt says it's time to put the pedal to the metal

By Monte Dutton
NASCAR This Week

HAMPTON, Ga. — In part because he was aggressive at Martinsville, Dale Earnhardt Jr. has concluded he must now be aggressive the rest of the way.

Earnhardt's wounds at the Virginia short track were self-inflicted. After racing near the front of the pack all day, he spun out late in the race and wound up finishing 22nd in the Subway 500 a week ago.

"We just have to go out there and be a little more aggressive, I think," he said. "In the situation we were in last week, we

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had a great opportunity to get some points, and I got over-aggressive. That put us in a situation now that I have no choice but to be aggressive to get the gains we need, so I'll try to be smart at the same time."

Great for fans — Mark Martin supports the Chase format not because he's a driver but because, one day soon, he's going to be a fan.

"You look at things differently as a competitor than you do

as a fan," said Martin. "I'm fixing to be a fan of the championship. I'm four races away, so I'm close enough to being a fan to say that's what we want. We want eight of the 10 to have a crack at the championship going into Homestead, from a fan's point of view."

After the season's final four races, Martin will run only a little over half of next year's Nextel Cup races.

"From a competitor's point of view, I would want to see it differently," he said. "Lucky for me, where I'm sitting now (before Atlanta), I'm in seventh but I still have a shot. ... You have to

score the most points you possibly can to even make the Chase. When I say I'm happy, you need to put it in perspective."

Apocalyptic vision — Jeff Burton thinks NASCAR had better do something before the start of next year to protect the interests of existing teams.

In short, the impending entry of Toyota poses a threat to teams that have been part of the sport for a long time. Burton admitted he doesn't know what to do about the problem but observed that some teams will un-

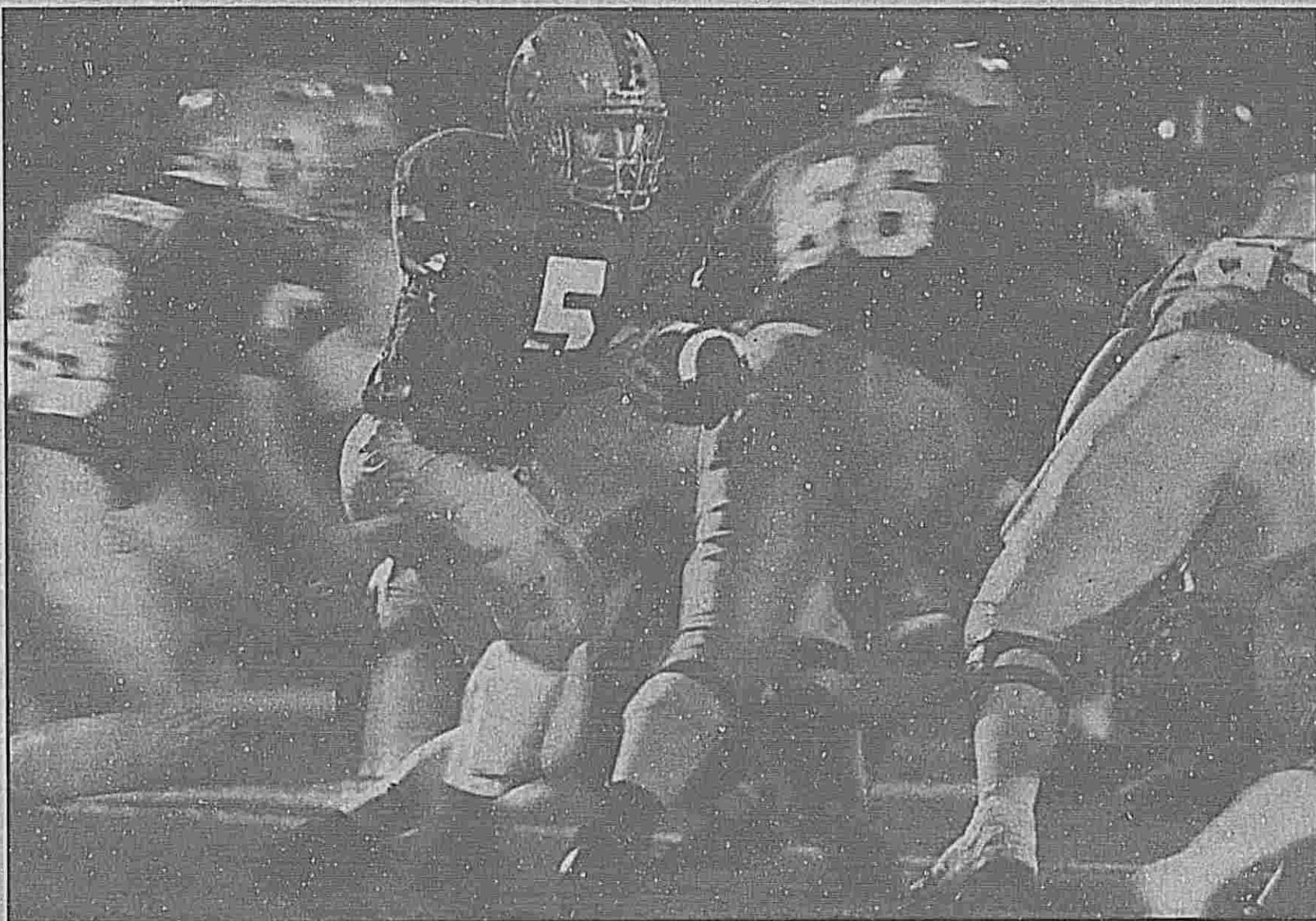
doubtedly be forced out of business because of Toyota building brand-new teams from scratch.

"It's easy to say that if you're not in the top 35 (in owner points), you don't deserve to have a place in the field," said Burton. "Eight or nine races into next season, there will be some longtime, quality, well-funded teams that aren't going to have any protection on making these race fields. I don't know what the solution is. I guess I haven't had the opportunity to sit down and really think about it. What I'm saying is that someone needs to be thinking about a solution for this."

IHSA PLAYOFF FOOTBALL

... And then there were two

Carmel, Libertyville advance past first round; Lakes, Wauconda bow out



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Carmel's David Venegoni (5) hands the ball off to running back Jim Potempa during a first-round playoff game in Mundelein.

CLASS 7A: CARMEL 54, MCHENRY 13

Corsairs back on track with rout

By DAVID SCHWARTZ
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MUNDELEIN - If there was any doubt that Carmel's football team is peaking at the right time, consider that doubt erased.

The Corsairs dominated McHenry last Friday night in an IHSA Class 6A opening-round contest, 54-13, to set up a second-round game against Rockford Boylan. They scored touchdowns on their first and fourth offensive plays from scrimmage and never were threatened by the Warriors.

Sixth-seeded Carmel (8-2) executed better than 11th-seeded McHenry

(6-4). The Corsairs were faster than the Warriors, and they committed no turnovers compared to McHenry's three.

One play - the game's first snap - highlighted the difference between the two teams. Carmel's Sean Lees took a handoff 71 yards for a touchdown by running past and weaving through McHenry's defense.

McHenry moved the ball to mid-field on its first possession before punting. The Corsairs responded with a 56-yard run by Lees on their next play, and two snaps later, they scored again for a 15-0 lead.

"We had it going on offense,"

Carmel coach Andy Bitto said. "[McHenry] had a hard time answering what we did. They stacked the inside, we went outside. They stacked the outside, we went inside."

Carmel scored 37 points before McHenry scored late in the second quarter. Tony Lenzie's 5-yard run gave the Warriors something to feel good about 1:26 before halftime.

At times, the Corsairs were simply too much on offense. Other times, McHenry was its own worst enemy. One second quarter possession, after the Warriors had moved 30 yards on

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CLASS 7A: LIBERTYVILLE 31, N. DAME 13

Libertyville overcomes scary chapter

By DANIEL J. PATRICK
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LIBERTYVILLE - Before one can have a storybook ending, there must be a storybook beginning. Unless you're the Libertyville Wildcats, that is.

Despite carrying a No. 1 ranking in the state and in the IHSA tournament, the Wildcats (10-0) got a bit of a Halloween scare as the Notre Dame Dons closed to within a field goal with a 10-7 score at halftime.

Libertyville didn't pull away from the Dons until Joey Bowens broke off a 60-yard punt return with 7:47 left in the fourth quarter. Bowens' fateful run proved to be just the elixir the Wildcats needed, giving them a 23-7 advantage, which allowed them to cruise to a 31-13 victory.

"I was pretty concerned," Bowens said. "I don't think we came into the game too cocky, but we didn't play the best we could. We had a lot of mental mistakes; we had a lot of penalties."

Libertyville's story began with a bang as the Wildcats embarked on an 80-yard scoring drive, capped off with a 19-yard touchdown run by quarterback Ryan Kennedy. However, that's where the tale got interesting.

Facing a 10-0 deficit, the Dons marched down the field for a 11-play, 79-yard drive to bring Notre Dame (5-5) to within a field goal in the second quarter. Libertyville coach Randy Kuceyeski said the real game was played inside the Wildcats' helmets.

"We got up by 10 and in our kids' minds it was probably pretty easy," Kuceyeski said. "But I knew [Notre Dame] wouldn't go down without a fight; that's the way they are. We didn't panic because it was a close game ... we knew we just had to re-establish in the second

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● Hometown Sports

Lindenhurst Comets GU-12 continue success in Rockford

After starting out the season on a torrid pace, winning their first 11 matches, the Lindenhurst Comets GU-12 team brought their winning ways to Rockford. There, they took second in a highly-competitive tournament to finish 4-1 in the tourney and 14-5-2 overall.

In Game 1, the Comets took on the Freeport Fire and walked away with a 3-1 win, followed by a big 4-1 victory over the Chicago Fire Blue team. Game 3 brought more of the same, beating the Rockford Sirens 1-0, but the Comets fell to the Milwaukee Tsunami, 2-0.

Kelsey Borders was the Comets' leading scorer with five goals while Adriana Nunez, Terese McMahon, Heather Hansen and Jaclyn Brennan all found the back of the net. Katie Larson and McMahon were stellar at the goalie position, allowing only three goals in five games for the Comets.

Lindenhurst Comets Blue team posts back-to-back victories

Winning is hard enough, but winning by the narrowest of margins is downright impossible. The Comets Blue team has recorded consecutive 1-0 wins against Deerfield and the Arlington Aces to improve to 6-1 on the season.

In the Deerfield contest, Sarah Norkus scored the only goal while goalies Nicole Mogged and Jenna Bauer assured Norkus' goal would be the

only one the Comets would need.

Against the Aces, Norkus again found the net. Other members of the team include Meghan Busky, Paige Coddington, Taylor Wright, Rachel Huber, Sadie Cozzi, Paige Jespersen, Lauren Scheffler, Mikaela Brown, Megan Soderlund, Taylor Jamil, Sammie Ney and Heather Richey.

Lake Villa T'wolves finish perfect season

Lake Villa has a lot to celebrate on the gridiron with the high school about to embark on the first trip to the post season and now an undefeated youth team. The Lake Villa Timberwolves Lightweight Black team won its championship game, 31-12, against a tough Mundelein team.

Defense was the name of the game as the Lightweight Black team outscored opponents 214-50.

Consisting of a talented group of 12- and 13-year old players, the team is preparing to make an excellent impression as they enter High School football.

"It was a total team effort," coach Bo Schaefer said. "Each and every player contributed to our success. I am very proud of what we accomplished."

Timberwolves players are David Kosemen, Tyler Manley, Brett Conway, Kyler Brann, James Zell, Doug Schaefer, Kyle Gibson, Hayden Ford, Charlie Hedstrom, Trevor Santi, Curtis Sanderson, Zach Zuurdeeg, Brad Richardson, Padden Hairell, Carlos Avila, Juan Avila, Brandon Holland, Brody Griffin, Augie Beetschen, Zakk Gorman and Matt Pavel.

CLASS 5A: CHICAGO ROBESON 41, LAKES 30

Lakes puts up strong fight

But No. 14 Eagles' inaugural postseason ends in loss to No. 3 Chicago Robeson

LAKE COUNTY JOURNALS

Lakes made a good showing in its inaugural trip to the postseason, despite carrying a No. 14 ranking to Chicago Robeson's No. 3 seed.

Unfortunately for the Eagles, their playoff season was one-and-done as Robeson won, 41-30.

Robeson bolted out to an early 27-9 lead, but Lakes awoke with a fumble recovery by Lorenzo Gomez. Gomez returned the fumble 15 yards for the touchdown and brought the game back within Lakes' sight, cutting Robeson's lead to 27-15.

In the third quarter, the Eagles chipped away at their early deficit. Lakes quarterback Rich Richard Fisher connected with Sean Hertz for a big 65-yard touchdown to pull within less than a TD and


bring the score to 27-22.

Fisher and Hertz proved to be quite the dynamic duo, as they met in the first quarter for Lakes' first score with a 28-yard touchdown in the first quarter.

Fisher completed 12-of-25 throws for 236 yards and two touchdowns while Hertz made the most out of his catches, stretching six catches into 190 yards.

Robeson's Raiders answered Lakes' run with a scoring barrage of their own, scoring 14 unanswered points for a 41-22 lead. Lakes found the end zone once more with a 6-yard run from Frank Soto and completed the two-point conversion, but never scored again.

Lakes ends its second season at 6-4 while Robeson improves to 10-0 and will face Dixon (6-3) in the second round of the IHSA tournament.



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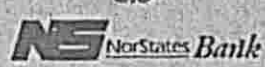
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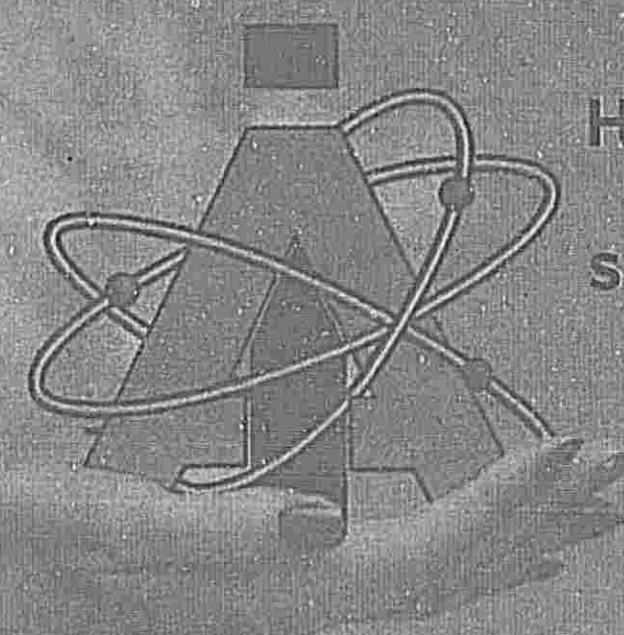
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—● On the Sidelines

Trick-or-Treat reflections

With Halloween just behind us, I want to start a new tradition with the passing of All Hallow's Eve. Sure, it's fun to get dressed up and act like a moron, or Hulk Hogan in my case, eat some overpriced, bite-sized pieces of candy, and vandalize some neighbors' houses. But the day after lacks the reflection factor that all the December holidays have.

Why is reflection purely reserved for New Year's Day? Therefore, I propose that for every Halloween, we should all reflect on our fears and try to face them. Well, that, and eat tons of tooth-melting candy.

So with the hope that I may be starting an ever-lasting holiday trend, I give you five things that I'm most afraid of.

1. Warren's boys soccer team

Twenty-four and two. Let that bounce around your head a little while and I think you'll know why the sheer power of Anthony Colaizzi's legs makes me want to scream like a school girl in a horror movie marathon.

To place in perspective how good this team is, seven Blue Devils are on the All-North Suburban Conference list, with one more as an honorable mention. And oh, no, it's not just your Ben Chavers, Cesar Nunez and Colaizzi; there's Ricky Kinka, Chris Nemeth, Brandon Fox and Kenny Pieper all on the all-conference list.

This team is beyond "sick;" it's the freaking Bubonic Plague.

2. ESPN anchor Chris Berman's gigantic head

I mean, come on, this has to be unequivocal proof that there already has been illegal

genetic testing in our country. Besides the moral issue, Chris Berman's massive melon leads to the question of how did scientists ever successfully splice the DNA of a human being and the Stay Puft Marshmallow Man from Ghostbusters?

Now that's a question for the ages.

3. Grayslake Central's Lynn Poggensee-Wei

OK, OK, she may be half my size, but have you seen this girl with a tennis racket? With a 27-2 final record on the year, Poggensee-Wei probably could serve a tennis ball right through my head if she pleased, so I'd better keep the smart comments to myself on this one.

4. Libertyville's defense, Carmel's offense

Now with a combined record of 18-2, our two state-ranked football teams have been just as impressive as everyone hoped in the first round. However, now go with me on this - what if we could create a super team from pieces of both?

With Carmel averaging 48.4 points a game and Libertyville giving up just 13.7, how could this super team possibly lose? Oh, yeah, it could lose in a game against a hybrid team with Libertyville's offense and Carmel's defense.

I don't know about you, but I can't wait for the quarterfinals, when these teams could meet.

5. A woman's wrath

Do I really have to explain myself on this one?

I hope this will prompt you all to face your fears, as well. All I know is that as I peel off my yellow wrestling tights and goofy blond mullet wig, I will be thinking about mine.

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CLASS 6A: GENEVA 42, GRANT 14

Claver surpasses 1,000 yards, but Bulldogs' postseason ends

By STEVE PETERSON

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GENEVA - Joey Claver burst into the Geneva secondary for a 30-yard run in the third quarter of the Grant football team's Class 6A playoff game.

The Bulldogs senior later would go over and give his dad a hearty handshake, recognizing an accomplishment. With a 20-carry, 97-yard game, Claver finished with more than 1,000 yards this season - 1,032 to be exact.

As much as the Bulldogs and Claver tried all night, Geneva showed why it was 8-1 in the regular season with an easy 42-14 win in first-round playoff action.

"We sure wanted to get Claver his 1,000 yards, but we wanted to play better," Grant coach Kurt Rous said. "They have a very impressive team."

Geneva put up 28 unanswered points in the first half alone. Senior quarterback Shaun Ratay finished with 10-of-13 passing for 192 yards while senior Chris Modjeski had 93 yards rushing and wide receiver Mike Mayszak had 112 yards in

catches, including a 65-yard gain on a Hail Mary desperation pass.

"Our defense got some turnovers and we were able to play with a short field," Geneva coach Rob Wicinski said. "We wanted two to four guys to key on Claver."

Modjeski scored from 3 yards out on the first drive and the Vikings (9-1) were on their way.

Grant (5-5) came out throwing, but was stopped inside the Geneva 20.

Ratay found his favorite target, Matsyzak, open for a 32-yard pass a few plays later. Modjeski (two rushing touchdowns) got into the act with a halfback pass to Ratay for the 21-0 lead after a 40-yard drive. Aaron O'Connell caught the next scoring pass from Ratay, a 5-yarder for a 35-0 halftime lead.

Grant gained its points on two second-half touchdowns. Bulldogs junior quarterback Pavel Zurkowski and Claver scored the TDs, but it was too little, too late.

Grant made the playoffs for the second straight year, its first with Rous at the helm, but is now 1-8 in playoff games.

Wildcats face Rolling Meadows in Round 2

• LIBERTYVILLE

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half."

And re-establish they did, thanks to a solid defense that united Notre Dame quarterbacks Jeff Larsen and Zach Abraham with the cold, hard ground for 10 sacks. Wildcats senior Ethan Gaus came up big in the game, finishing with four sacks and multiple quarterback rushes.

"We just kept them off-balance," Gaus said. "We came up one side, and when he cuts the

other way, there's already someone waiting for him. We were just everywhere on them."

While the rankings told one story, Notre Dame's play told another. Dons coach Mike Hennessey said they were never intimidated by Libertyville's ranking or undefeated record.

"We never thought that we wouldn't be [in the game]," Hennessey said. "We're a physical football team, they're a physical football team. I was proud of the way our team played tonight."

Even with another storybook season in Libertyville's not-so-distant past, Kuceyeski insists this team is ready to write its own chapter.

"We talk about 2004, but these guys have their own team," Kuceyeski said. "They want to create their own destiny, but we've got to take it one week at a time."

Libertyville will be traveling to Rolling Meadows for the second round matchup with the Rolling Meadows Mustangs today. The game will start at 7 p.m. and the gates will open at 5:30 p.m.

Message to Carmel opponents: 'Watch out'

• CARMEL

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the previous two plays, Lenzie fumbled inside Carmel's 40-yard line. And McHenry quarterback Luke Kovarik threw two interceptions, including one in the third quarter that was returned 40 yards for a touchdown by Ryan Williams that prompted the Corsairs' 40-point lead and a running clock.

Carmel racked up the points, the yards and the stats.

Lees needed only six carries in the game to

finish with 139 yards and two touchdowns. He has scored 19 touchdowns this season. Jim Potempa ran for 97 yards on eight carries, including a 70-yard touchdown run, his 21st touchdown on the year.

The most impressive performance, however, might have been turned in by the versatile John Brennan. He carried three times for 20 yards, caught five passes for 82 yards and two touchdowns, completed a pass for 37 yards and another for a two-point conversion, and recovered a fumble.

"We're going to be 100 percent by next week," Brennan said last week. "So watch out."

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Corsairs rally for close 'W' against Mundelein

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Civil wars always are the most heated, and crosstown rivals Carmel and Mundelein had quite the battle as the Corsairs rallied back to an 11-25, 25-23, 25-16 victory for the Mundelein Regional title.

The fifth-seeded Mustangs easily won the first game, but the fourth-seeded Corsairs were determined to make their seeding count. Carmel was led by Kaitlyn Howard, who finished the match with seven kills and four blocks.

On defense, the Corsairs were deadly as Megan Josupait deflected

the Mustangs' shots left and right to finish with five blocks in the match.

On Mundelein's side, the Mustangs were led offensively by Heidi Haubrich with eight kills, while Maggie Schroeder contributed five kills and an ace. Paige Tortorello was deadly in service, finishing with three service aces in the match.

With the win, Carmel captured its first regional title in 10 years while Mundelein ended its season at 22-14.

The Corsairs advanced to meet Stevenson for the Stevenson Sectional semifinal. The winner will meet either Libertyville or Lake Forest in the sectional final.



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Carmel players celebrate after their victory against Mundelein in the Mundelein Regional championship. The Corsairs overcame a 25-11 loss in the first game to take the next two, 25-23, 25-16.

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the Mustangs' shots left and right to finish with five blocks in the match.

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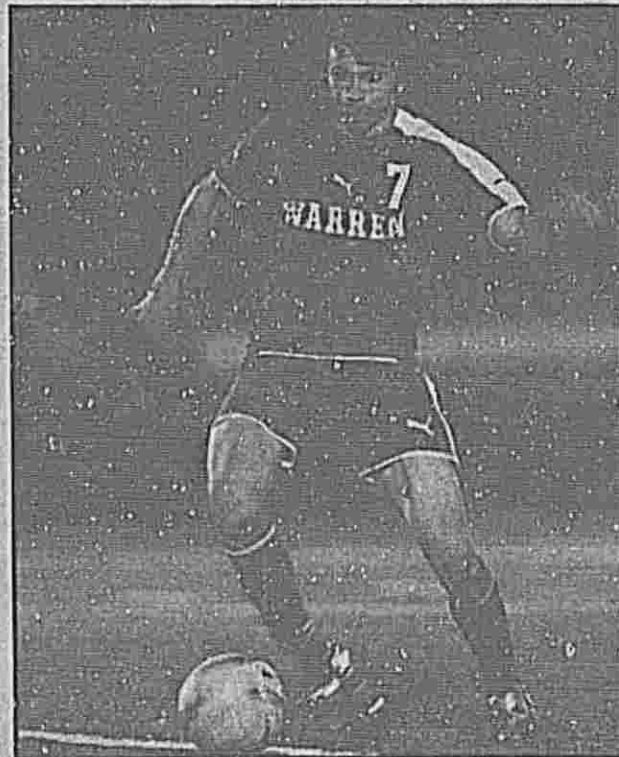
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BOYS SOCCER: LAKE ZURICH SUPERSECTIONAL

Warren heads to state

Warren's Larry Kohn passes the ball during Tuesday's super-sectional victory against Hersey. Kohn had a goal against Hersey as the Blue Devils won, 3-0, advancing to face O'Fallon today in the state quarterfinals. It's been a tough road for Warren (24-2), needing two overtimes to beat both Lake Forest and Grayslake Central in sectional play.



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Warren's Ben Chavers scored two goals and the Blue Devils defeated Hersey, 3-0, for the Lake Zurich Supersectional victory and a trip to state.

Larry Kohn had the Blue Devils' other goal. Kohn and Chavers even scored two of the goals within a 3-minute span.

Defensively, goalie Chris Nemeth earned his 15th shutout for Warren (24-2).

The Blue Devils face O'Fallon in a state quarterfinal against O'Fallon (17-6-1) today at North Central College in Naperville. The game begins at 11 a.m.

BOYS SOCCER: MUNDELEIN SECTIONAL

Down to the wire

Warren wins sectional title in double overtime against Grayslake Central

By DANIEL J. PATRICK
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MUNDELEIN — If there was any way to end the Mundelein boys soccer sectional, this game was it.

Facing a 2-0 deficit, Grayslake Central rattled off two straight goals to tie the game. Two overtimes later, Warren's Anthony Colaizzi scored a goal to come out on top of the competitive sectional final, 3-2.

Every Mundelein Sectional game went into two overtimes. Warren won its semifinal against Lake Forest in a 3-2 double-overtime thriller while Grayslake walked a similar path, taking out Carmel, 1-0, in two overtimes, as well.

After two first-half goals from the Blue Devils' Ben Chavers and Brandon Fox, Warren was riding on an easy 2-0 lead. But after halftime, Grayslake took control of the game.

In the second half, the Rams out-shot the Blue Devils, 2-1, while Milan Stupar and Ryan O'Connor both found the back of the net for the 2-2 tie. Both goals came in short order as Stupar's score came in the 64th minute, while O'Connor's goal came just 3:14 later.

Central's momentum carried on into the first overtime as the Rams had the ball deep in Warren territory for much of the period.

"Grayslake was a great team tonight; they never quit playing the whole game," Warren coach Jim McNamara said. "They made it difficult for us in the second half and we struggled. In the first overtime, we really struggled."

Warren defender Dan Dunkelman blamed Grayslake's run on a simple bout of overconfidence for the Blue Devils.

"It was just a letdown," Dunkelman said. "Everybody lost their head after the first [Grayslake] goal, and then they got another one. But we got our composure and came back and

won it."

Despite Grayslake's momentum for much of the latter part of the matchup, Warren attacked with a vengeance in the second overtime. It took all of 39 seconds for Colaizzi to seal Grayslake Central's fate and send Warren into the Super Sectionals.

"Nothing went through my head, I just hit it," Colaizzi said. "When you're that close, you don't have time to think, you just finish ... I like clutch games and I like prime-time games like this."

While Colaizzi didn't do much thinking about his shot, his coach certainly did. However, McNamara knew that he could count on Colaizzi.

"Anthony ran onto it and had a wide open net, and on wet turf like this, it was an unbelievably well-played ball and a well-placed goal," McNamara said. "That's what Colaizzi is there for, he's our guy. He finds a way to impart his will on the rest of the team and when things are struggling, he finds a way to make a difference."

Despite the loss, Grayslake coach Mike McCaulou said his team had a lot to be proud of this season. The sectional final appearance was the deepest any Rams team had ever made it in the IHSA tournament.

With a 21-3-1 final record and the deepest tournament run in school history, seniors Tommy Blesaida, Colin Hutchins, Andy Schultz, Erick Giron, Chris Blevins, Will Barbanera, Nolan Sandberg, Stupar, Glenn Shorman, O'Connor, Manny Carrillo, Corey Mulryan, Pat Donovan and Tommy Marsden have definitely left their mark on Grayslake Central.

"The guys had a phenomenal year and it could have gone either way," McCaulou said. "We had a couple chances to put it away early, but we just didn't do it ... I'm super proud of the seniors and you couldn't have asked anything more of

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MUNDELEIN SECTIONAL

Warren 3, Lake Forest 2 (2 OT)

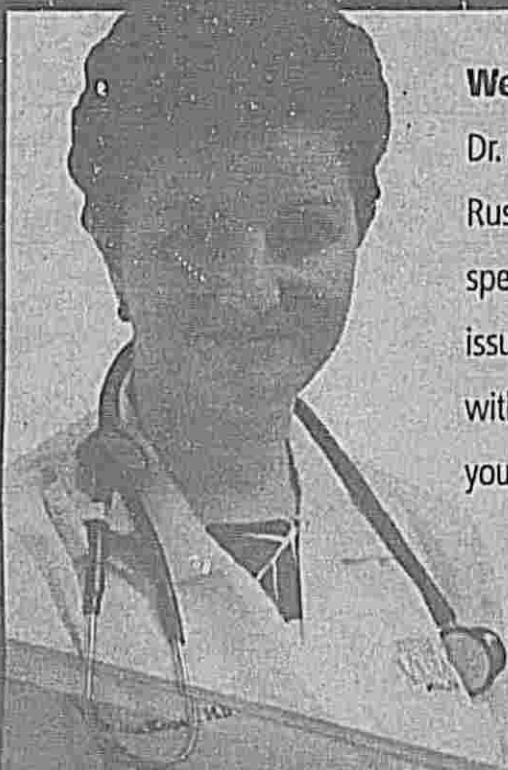
• Mundelein High School saw its fair share of thrilling finishes as the top-seeded Warren won a 3-2 double-overtime nailbiter against Lake Forest. Warren senior Larry Kohn scored the deciding goal along with an earlier score. Teammate Anthony Colaizzi also scored in the game.

Grayslake Central 1, Carmel 0 (2 OT)

• It took two overtimes and a penalty kick that Grayslake Central's Corey Mulryan will never forget to decide game between the Rams and Carmel. Grayslake was attacking all night long as two Rams goals were waved off because of offside penalties. Meanwhile, Grayslake goalie Tommy Blesaida finished with three saves in the big win.

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Pro Football WEEKLY

● One Man's Opinion

Offensive line key to any NFL prediction list

If I were to ask you who are the most disappointing teams in the NFL as we approach the halfway point of the 2006 season, I'll bet the Dolphins, Buccaneers, Cardinals and Cowboys are on your list.

According to Pro Football Weekly's preseason poll of our 53 writers and editors, the Dolphins, Bucs and Cowboys are all supposed to be wild card teams this year, while the Cardinals were picked to finish second in the NFC West. Heck, in its preseason power ratings, ESPN actually had the Cardinals as high as No. 9, and (talk about a jinx!) Sports Illustrated had the Dolphins in the Super Bowl.

It was clear to me the Cardinals and Dolphins were the most overrated teams in the NFL, but I also had the Cowboys and Bucs as the NFC wild cards. I didn't like Miami or Arizona or expect more out of Dallas and Tampa because they all shared huge questions on their offensive lines.

Some of us like to think analyzing NFL teams is akin to rocket science. Others are reasonable and realistic enough to understand that there are a few keys you can count on almost 100 percent of the time. The most basic fact of all is that the offensive line is the most important unit in football, and that there has never been a great team with a bad offensive line. With a bad or mediocre offensive line, you can't run the football, you can't pass it, and you can't control the defensive line, which usually sets the table for the opposing "D."

Of my four top '06 flops to date, only the Bucs were a playoff team last year, a fact that I consider a small miracle when you realize they finished the 2005 season 14th in rushing, 25th in passing and 23rd in QB sacks allowed. But while their offensive line clearly struggled, OLT Anthony Davis, OLG Dan Buenning, C John Wade, ORG Sean

Mahan and ORT Kenyatta Walker started all 16 games together as a unit. Add the fact that Davis and Buenning were first-time starters who improved every week, and the Bucs are the only team among my futile four who gets a pass for not being better right now.

In spite of their promise on the line, the Bucs still used their first pick in the draft to select OG Davin Joseph, but they couldn't predict a season-ending injury to Walker or know that Joseph and Buenning would spend a good chunk of the season to date banged up.

The Cowboys finished 2005 ranked 13th in rushing and 15th in passing, but also 28th in QB sacks allowed. The loss of OLT Flozell Adams to a knee injury hurt, but that doesn't explain the whole problem. Jerry Jones and Bill Parcells seemed to agree, considering that three '05 starters - Torrin Tucker, Larry Allen and Rob Pettiti, who started every '05 game as a rookie - weren't on the '06 opening-day roster.

So why would the Cowboys invest \$25 million in Terrell Owens to replace Keyshawn Johnson but not nearly as much on the O-line with Adams reclaiming his OLT spot, Kyle Kosier replacing future Hall of Famer Allen, Andre Gurode replacing Al Johnson and Marc Colombo taking over for Pettiti? Was it bad planning or lousy talent evaluation? Either way, wouldn't it be more appropriate to see Jones or Parcells under the bus than Drew Bledsoe?

And that brings us to the biggest joke of all. How could the Cardinals possibly justify spending more than \$30 million on RB Edgerrin James when OLT Leonard Davis, OLG Jeremy Bridges, C Nick Leckey, ORG Elton Brown and ORT Oliver Ross comprised one of the least effective groups in the NFL in 2005? I'm not sure which is the bigger miracle, that anyone thought the Cardinals were going to be better, or that Dennis Green still has a job.

What I do know is that anytime you see a bad football team, you can bet it's got problems on the offensive line.

• Hub Arkush is the editor of Pro Football Weekly.



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● Bears Insider

Can Bears' offense return to form?

I guess it's safe to say there was no lingering hangover from the "near disaster in the desert."

The Bears thumped another lesser opponent on the lakefront and reaffirmed what the faithful knew all along: This is still the best team in football.

The remaining non-believers point to the weak schedule, so I'd rather focus on their average margin of victory, which just happens to be a league-best 22 points per game.

Regardless of the opponent, it's hard to argue this team's dominance through seven games.

What's at stake: With any self doubt completely erased, it's back to business as usual. With a two-game lead over their nearest NFC competitor, the Bears must continue to keep the pedal to the metal as they try to secure homefield advantage throughout the post season.

Most dangerous opposing player: Last week, Rex Grossman went untouched for 60 minutes, and delivered three TD passes with zero interceptions. Protecting Rex is once again priority No. 1, but this weekend should be a much stiffer challenge. John Tait will be asked to slow down veteran sack master Jason Taylor.

Taylor has seven sacks this season and 99.5 for his career.

Why the Bears win: Rex "Montana," great to have ya back, kid!

The hard work during the bye week obviously paid off as his fundamentals were vastly improved. Last Sunday he stepped up in the pocket, set his feet and threw the ball accurately and with great results. Expect more of the same this week.

Rex is nearly flawless at home, throwing 11 touchdowns and zero interceptions in front of the home crowd.

Also expect Ron Turner to stick with a balanced attack. After missing most of training camp with a hamstring injury, Thomas Jones is finding his

rhythm, averaging more than 4.5 yards per carry over the last four weeks. Jones should find room to run on the left side where Tait and Ruben Brown have a significant size and strength advantage over Vonnie Holliday and Jason Taylor. The goal is to make Taylor work to stop the run, taking steam out of his pass rush.

While Zach Thomas is still a quality run stuffer, he struggles in pass coverage. Ron Turner will use formations to force Thomas to cover Jones coming out of the backfield. Desmond Clark will also find open space in the middle of the field.

On the flip side, there is nothing telling me that Joey Harrington will succeed where others more talented have failed. The Dolphin's O-line is a sieve, allowing 26 sacks and dozens of other hits on their quarterbacks. They are quick to abandon the run and panic when they get behind, which is a near certainty this week.

This ball-hawking Bears defense should have a field day while Harrington runs for his life.

Why the Dolphins will win: Despite those less than flattering words, the Dolphins do have talent on their roster.

Chris Chambers is a dynamic, big-play receiver who can out-run and out-jump everyone in the Bears secondary. With talented tight end Randy McMichael, the Dolphins would be wise to attack the weakness of the Bears defense. Rookie Danieal Manning and backup Todd Johnson will struggle with McMichael and his ability to threaten the middle of the field.

Who will win: I know that in the past, I've mentioned that stats have a tendency to lie, but when you're No. 1 in almost every category, you start to believe in them. The Bears lead the league in scoring, overall defense, scoring defense, field goal percentage and punt return average.

On the lakefront, they are humiliating visitors by an average of 31 points per game.

The roll continues.

PREDICTION: Bears 27 Dolphins 10



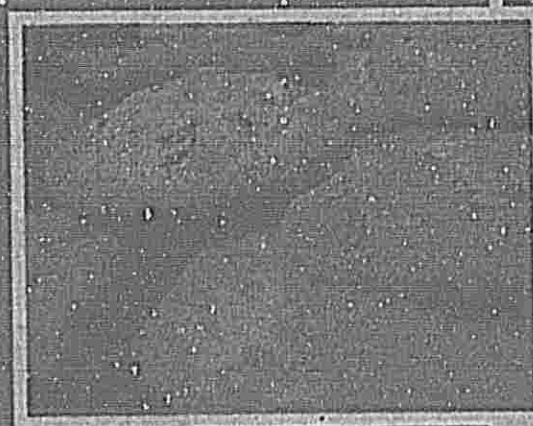
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Music filled village

The Sears Centre opened in Hoffman Estates last week. The arena creates less travel time for residents in northwest suburbs.

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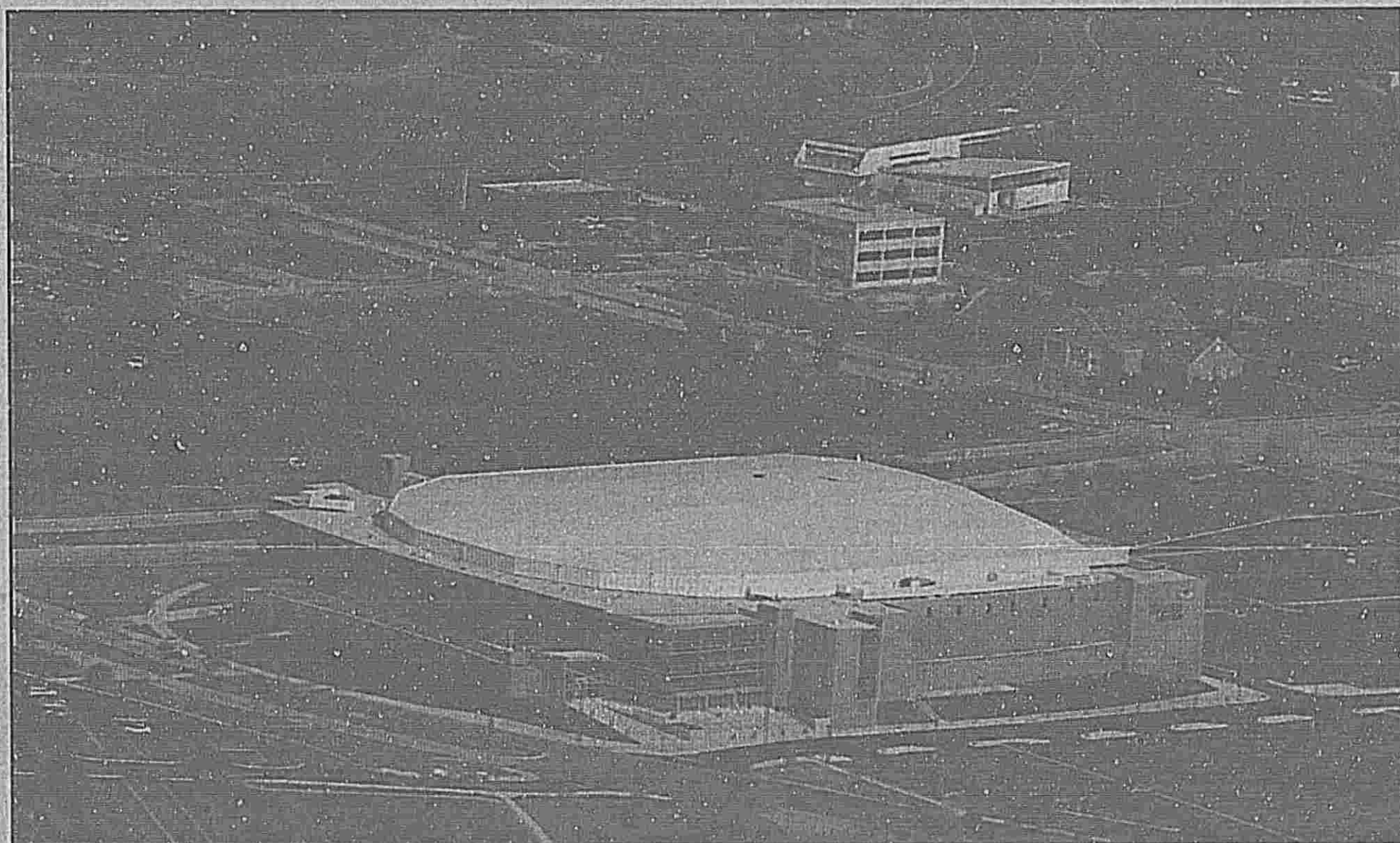
Wedding bells

Check out the spooktacular wedding of Larry Albert and Britt Corsi. The couple wed at Grayslake's Stratford Banquets.

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New music venue opens in Chicago suburb

By Bryan Wawzenek
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HOFFMAN ESTATES – Bob Dylan's singing voice disappeared some time ago, but his skills as a performer remain intact.

Dylan's Friday night concert, the first of his pair of shows during the inaugural weekend of the Sears Centre in Hoffman Estates, was nothing short of excellent, blending music from the two best stretches of the rock legend's career.

Dylan, with the help of a five-piece backing band, played songs from his most famous albums. A bouncing, bluesy take on "Leopard-Skin Pill-Box Hat" (from "Blonde on Blonde") opened the show, finding Dylan

New gig on the block in northwest suburbs

The unveiling of the **Sears Centre** – Chicago area's newest entertainment venue – recently took place.

An **11,000-capacity sports arena** (it can hold 11,800 with floor seating for concerts), the Sears Centre isn't just notable for being the latest addition to a throng of area sports and concert venues, but also for its Hoffman Estates location. That means shorter drive times for those in the northwest suburbs.

The Sears Centre also represents a boon for fans of minor league hockey, indoor soccer and indoor football (the arena will be home field/ice to the Chicago Hounds, Chicago Storm and a new Chicago indoor football team).

But what, other than a slightly shortened drive, does the opening of the Sears Centre mean for concertgoers in this region?

Duran Duran, Bob Dylan and Lionel Richie failed to pack the venue last weekend, but the performers did get audience members on their feet.

Yes, the future of the Sears Centre is uncertain. It may take years to decide whether or not it is a viable music venue.

zooming up and down his harmonica by song's end. One of the man's best love songs, "Boots of Spanish Leather," sounded absolutely gorgeous in Friday

night's delicate rendition, while the roadhouse stomp of "Highway 61" nearly brought down the brand-new, but only partially full arena.

The 16-song show was divided equally between the oldies and material from Dylan's recent creative resurgence, including his 2006 release, "Modern Times." The "new stuff" certainly holds its ground with the classics, with the



Bryan Wawzenek

barn-burning "High Water" taking Dylan and company into ZZ Top territory, "Rollin' and Tumblin'" hitching its groove to the back of a mystery train and "When the Deal Goes Down" giving Uncle Bob the chance to play crooner during the song's

serene waltz.

Perhaps the highlight of the show was "Workingman's Blues #2" – which also is the highlight of "Modern Times."

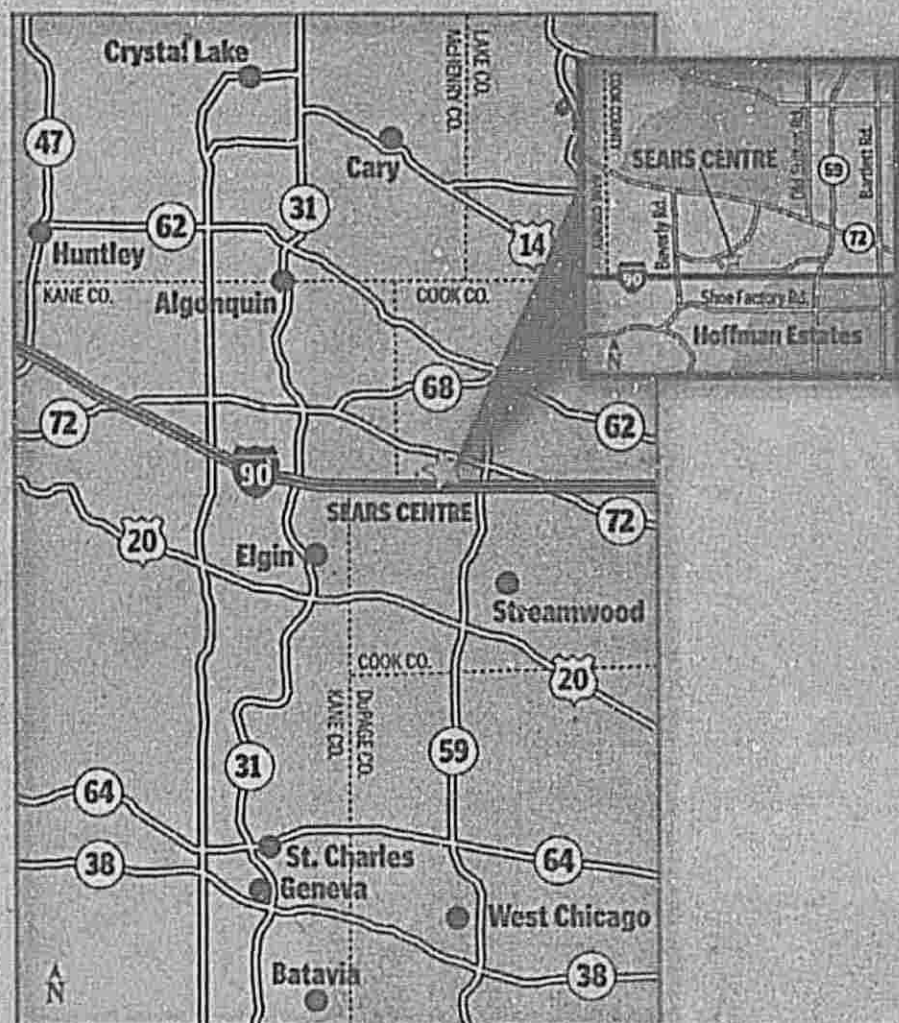
The verses find Dylan riding the rails as a 21st century hobo, lamenting (in pure Dylanese) the "buying power of the proletariat," then trying to fight "hunger from creeping its way into my gut."

Dylan barked those words like a Hoover coughing up razor blades, letting his social commentary bleed from his lyrics and not from between-song banter, of which there was none.

"Workingman's Blues #2" was bookended Friday night by one of the songwriter's first hits.

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How to get to Sears Centre



Directions to the venue

From I-90 East

Take the Beverly Road exit and head north.

Turn right on Prairie Stone Parkway. The arena and subsequent parking lots are off Prairie Stone Parkway near Beverly Road.

From I-90 West

Take the 59 exit and head north.

Turn left onto Columbine Boulevard. The arena and subsequent parking lots are just off of Columbine Boulevard.

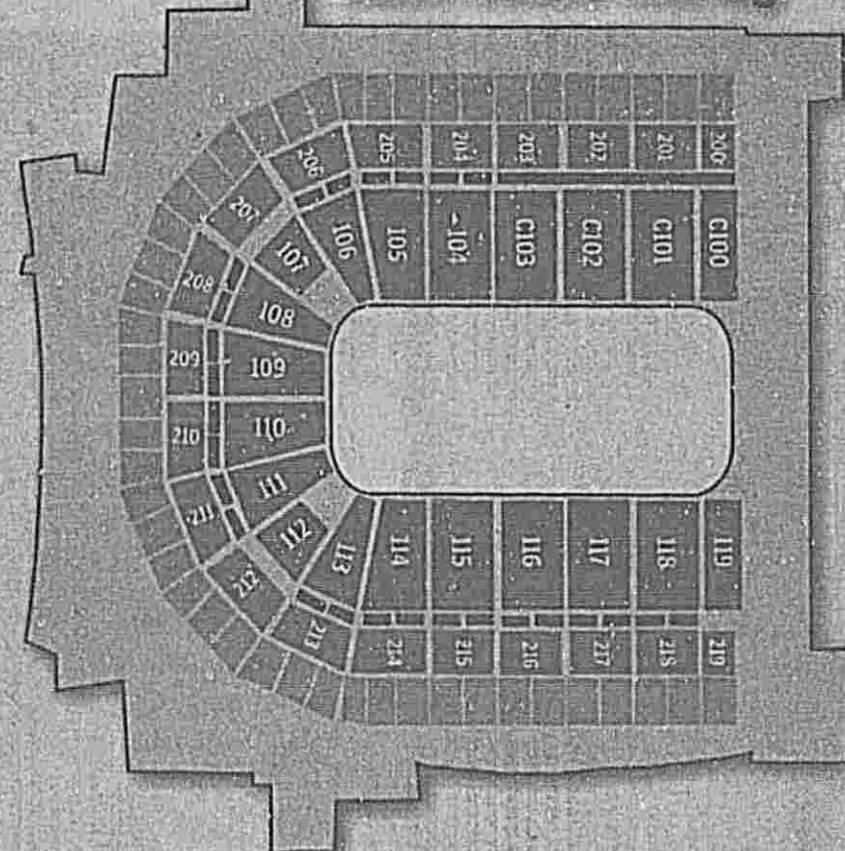
From Route 59

Turn west onto Columbine Boulevard. The arena and subsequent parking lots are just off of Columbine Boulevard.

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Wedding spooktacular

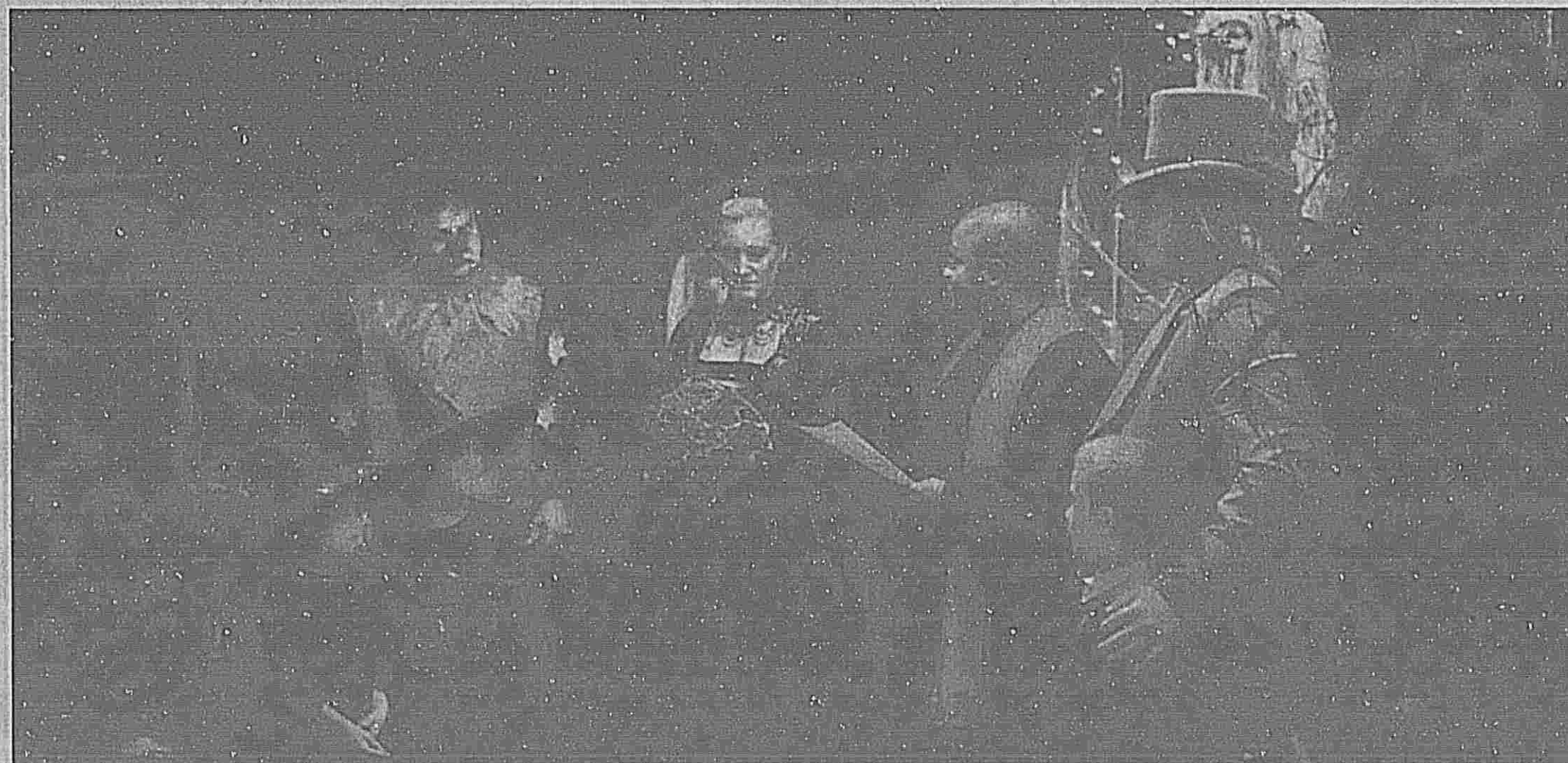


Skulls grace the archway of the halloween-style wedding of Larry Albert and Britt Corsi.

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Halloween decorations fill the hall during the Albert-Corsi wedding. The couple wed on Oct. 28 at Stratford Banquets in Grayslake.



Shawn White, minister of Eagle Wings ministry of Zion, officiates the Halloween-style wedding of Larry Albert and Britt Corsi. Also pictured are Sophia, Hanna and Zach Clouse, children of the bride, and Curt Cosi, father of the bride.

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By Pam & George Singleton



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Photo provided

Brad Pitt stars as Richard, an American traveler who is working to repair his ailing marriage to his wife, Susan (Cate Blanchett), in "Babel." The film is directed by Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu.

'Babel' tells thrilling stories

By PAM and GEORGE SINGLETON
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Babel

Director: Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu

Genre: Drama

Additional information: Written by Guillermo Arriago; distributed by Paramount Vantage; rated R for violence, some graphic nudity, sexual content, language and some drug use; running time is 142 minutes.

"Babel" is the third film in a trilogy by collaborators Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu (as director) and Guillermo Arriago (as writer). "Amores Perros" and "21 Grams" are the other two Academy Award-nominated screen gems created by this duo.

All three films overlay events where the lives of various characters intersect. Fans of "Crash" may view "Babel" as less realistic because the connections are global rather than set in one city.

In Morocco, a Muslim father instructs his two sons on the use of a rifle he purchases. In spite of what we might think, we soon learn that the gun is to scare off jackals from attacking their herd of sheep. As curious boys anywhere, the two sons start target practice on the mountainside. How far can the bullets travel - a rock here, a tree branch there?

Then something more interesting comes into view - a tour bus.

An American couple,

Richard and Susan (Brad Pitt and Cate Blanchett), seem set on repairing their ailing marriage and are on vacation on that bus. Suddenly, the bus is fired upon, and the woman is shot.

Her wound is life threatening, and the tour bus goes off the beaten path to seek first aid in a small town that is literally foreign to foreigners. The other passengers are terrified.

Richard tries desperately to get his wife taken out by helicopter, but he runs into political roadblocks regarding air space. The American government sees what we know to be a tragic prank as a terrorist attack.

Meanwhile, in California, an undocumented Mexican nanny, Amelia (Adriana Barraza), cares for two young children that she's been with since they were infants. Their parents' return home has been delayed, but Amelia is due at her son's wedding in Mexico, which is only a short ride from San Diego, and when she can't find anyone reliable to leave the children with, Amelia decides to take them with her across the border.

Everyone has a wonderful time, and things are in control, until Amelia's hot-headed nephew (Gael Garcia Bernal of "The Motorcycle Diaries") drives them back to the U.S. The intensity of this scenario is one of the most difficult to endure in the film.

In Japan, we meet the businessman, Yasujiro (Koji Yakusho of "Memoirs of a Geisha"), who was the original owner of the rifle used in the shooting in Morocco. In a simple act of generosity, he gave the gun to his hunting guide in Morocco, who then sold it to the two boys' father.

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Chicago film festival gives kids hands-on experience

By EMILY PREVITI

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CHICAGO – The smell of butter permeated the foyer of Facets Theater, in Chicago's Lincoln Park neighborhood.

Facets' marquee of independent and international film titles and offering of obscure DVDs might not appeal to kids, yet children outnumbered adults in the line for tickets just before 1 p.m. on Oct. 29.

They awaited the showing of Reel Kids – Top Flicks II. The event marked the denouement of the Chicago International Children's Film Festival, which took place from Oct. 19 to 29. Facets hosted works throughout the festival, as did four other theaters in Chicago, along with one in Wilmette.

The Reel featured 14 short films from the United States and five foreign countries. They tackled topics that included immigration, the death of a parent and the 1968 Democratic Convention in Chicago. Some were animated; others, documentaries. A few had subtitles.

Want to know more?

In January 2007, the festival's Web site will publish rules and entry information for next year's fest at www.cicff.org.

The site also contains details on how to volunteer, intern, donate, or join the judging panel. Soon, visitors can read children's reviews of films online, too. Children can enter their films for free.

The common denominator? Their creators are between the ages of 10 and 14.

Children created 24 of the 200 films from 40 countries that the festival screened. Nicole Dreiske, founder and artistic director of the festival, said the number, quality and running time of child-produced films has increased since the festival's inception 23 years ago. The Procopio family contributed two shorts to this year's program.

Twelve-year-old Joe Procopio's "Drive" won the \$2,500 Kenneth and Harle Montgomery Award for Best Child-Produced Film or Video.

He anticipated he would invest the cash into future projects – \$400 to \$600 each – and donate some to cancer research.

Procopio and his 9-year-old twin sisters Susan and Katherine won the second place Children's Jury Prize for a Child-Produced Short Film or Video for "Lost and Found."

"I want people to see what I see, through film," Joe said.

"Lost and Found's" relation of having a pet toad elicited chuckles from the audience. The heavier "Drive" follows Procopio as he rides in his father's car from their home on the outskirts of Toronto on a sunny afternoon to the whizzing headlights and illuminated skyscrapers downtown after dark.

Procopio's narrative philosophizes about capitalism, homelessness and his future.

Joe's father Frank, 48, said the Chicago festival is more "issue-oriented" than other children's film festivals the family has attended, including festivals in Los Angeles, Cyprus, Greece and Sidney, Australia.

Frank worked as a screen-

writer "many moons ago." He acknowledged the advantage of his experience, especially given the dearth of media courses at his children's schools.

Dreiske oversaw the launch of Media Smart two years ago to increase media's presence in education.

Footage of the Procopio children's productions process follows the conclusion of both shorts shown on Oct. 29.

"It shows that it's me, not my parents," Joe said. "[The footage] proves that I can do this."

Dreiske explained judges look for "tip-offs" that suggested parental takeover of a project. This happens less, she said, thanks to editing programs like iMovie and Final Cut Pro.

Plus, she pointed out, the same divide in audiences exists on the other side of the camera: children and adults' interests and techniques diverge.

"They have none of the top-down pedagogy that you would get from some adults," Dreiske said. "Kids don't preach, usually. They have questions."

Media Smart programs

Media Smart uses media to address needs of schoolchildren, according to Nicole Dreiske, founder and artistic director of the Chicago International Children's Film Festival.

The programs range from a day-long, all-school assembly to weekly sessions that meet for a month or two.

The latter uses short media to work on students' weaknesses, or instructs children in production.

Since the program started two years ago, Media Smart has visited 40 schools in Chicago and 20 more outside of the city, including Waukegan and Beverly.

"My real focus is to change the way children are relating to media," Dreiske said. "It's the most powerful force of their lives. Media Smart is one way to get a finger on the pulse of how they respond."

Dreiske said Chicago-based Facets, which runs Media Smart and the festival, has discussed expansion of its in-house programs to theaters in Wilmette, Highland Park and other suburbs.

Final film in trilogy set to excite, engage viewers

• BABEL

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Yasujiro is a widower with a rebellious teenage daughter, Chieko (Rinko Kikuchi), who is deaf and does not speak. She also is sexually aggressive.

The two live well, but they both are distraught about the recent death of Yasujiro's wife. Dad is quiet, reserved and distant, while Chieko tries to find herself through expressing a mature sexuality with both her peers and the detective sent to investigate the story about the rifle.

The entire Japanese sequence is fascinating.

It can stand on its own as a film in itself – Any of the vignettes can, in reality. But here the nightclub scene, the encounter between the detective and Chieko, where he has a chance to act as a responsible adult rather than an opportunistic male predator, and

later when Chieko confronts her father, all elevate this compelling story well beyond just good filmmaking.

Blanchett proves that her Oscar for "Aviator" was no fluke, and Brad Pitt is the best he's ever been. The gray hair and lines add character and a George Clooney touch.

In some ways, "Babel" is introspective on what's going on around the world, like Clooney's "Syriana," but without the complexity. There are no small performances here, even for those with little screen time.

How everyday things we do can reverberate around the world is a simple concept, yet realistic.

Are there flaws in this film? Yes, it is not a clear-cut gem. But it is an example of how an imperfect film might be a masterpiece.

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● Everymom

'Mom brain' wipes out past memory

I was going to write a column about an afternoon I spent trying to get things done and then forgetting what I was about to do.

But I've forgotten what I was trying to do at the time.

I officially have developed mom brain.

That's when your mind turns to mush while pregnant and then never quite restores itself to its pre-pregnancy status. It's scientifically proven, really.

I actually read that your mind should begin to rebuild itself when your children reach about 6 months of age. My twin girls are about 7 months old, and I still don't feel any smarter.

It's not that I can't think. (Well, sometimes it's difficult.) It's just that 10 million random thoughts are running through my mind at any given time.

I have a tough time remembering the name of the vice-president, but I can recite the names of every single Walt Disney princess.

Not just the most obvious names like Cinderella and Snow White - I'm talking Princess Aurora, a.k.a. "Sleeping Beauty," and Ariel, a.k.a. "The Little Mermaid."

I couldn't tell you how I feel about the latest news on just about anything having to do with foreign affairs, politics, or crime, but I could tell you the exact day "The Little Mermaid" was released on DVD.

Despite my lack of brain power, I amazingly can multitask with the best of them.

It might take me a while to remember why I've gone down to the basement, and I'll probably end up getting my daughter a cup of juice and changing a diaper in the meantime, but eventually I'll get those clothes in the dryer. I don't know how many times I walk into the babies' room, only to forget why I'm there.

Was I getting a diaper? Nope.

A change of baby clothes? Nope.

Oh yeah, the Desitin diaper

cream. That's what I'm after.

Or I'll be on my way to put a bottle in the sink, and I'll end up tossing some toys in my daughter's room. Then the phone will ring, and I'll spot some laundry that needs to be put away.

Later in the day, I'll find that dirty bottle in the cupboard next to the animal crackers. I'll never really know how it ended up there.



Jami Kunzer

At night, as I'm going to bed, I'll walk to the kitchen to turn out the light and end up cleaning the kitchen

table. I might have cleared it off an hour ago, but the markers and coloring books I put away earlier have miraculously reappeared.

When I do eventually lie down and cover up, I'll wonder about the temperature.

So, I'll get up to check the thermostat and lie back down. Then I'll worry that the babies are too cold. So, I get up again, quietly tip-toe into their rooms and cover both of them with blankets.

By the time I get back to bed, I'm wide awake because I'm thinking about all the things that need to get done tomorrow.

Of course, I can't remember exactly what needs to get done. So, now I'm frustrated that I can't remember what I was thinking about earlier when I was thinking about all the things that needed to get done.

In the morning, it starts all over again. And I... I can't remember what I was about to say.

• Columnist Jami Kunzer is the mother of Summer, 2, and infant twins Anna and Lilly. She writes about the everyday challenges facing parents. You also can connect with Jami online Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday through her blog, which can be found at www.nwherald.com. Reach Jami at jkunzer@nwnewsgroup.com, or (815) 459-4122.

● Health beat

Gage your purine intake

Question: What are purines?

Answer: Purines are a natural substance found in every one of the body's cells, and in almost all foods.

Purines provide part of the chemical structure of our genes and the genes of plants and animals. There are some foods that contain a concentrated amount of purines; and, for the most part, these high purine foods also are high protein foods. Some examples of high purine foods are organ meats, mackerel, herring, sardines and mussels.

When cells die off and get recycled, the purines in their genetic material also get broken down. Uric acid is the chemical formed when purines have been broken down completely. It is normal and healthy for uric acid to be formed in the body from this chemical process. Uric acid can serve as an antioxidant and helps prevent damage to the lining of the blood vessels.

Uric acid levels in the blood

and other parts of the body might become too high, under a variety of circumstances.

Our kidneys are responsible

for helping to keep blood levels of uric acid balanced. Kidney problems might lead to excessive accumulation of uric acid in various parts of the body.

When uric acid accumulates, uric crystals can be deposited in our tendons, joints, kidneys and other organs. This accumulation of uric acid crystals is called gouty arthritis, or simply gout. When this occurs, a low purine diet is recommended - not a protein-free diet.

Here are some examples of healthy foods with a high content of purines: asparagus, cauliflower, chicken, organ

meats, kidney beans, lima beans, navy beans, slow cooked oatmeal (not processed), peas, salmon and tuna. If you are not at risk for gout or other health problems related to purine metabolism, you would be unlikely to consume greater than the average U.S. average for purine intake, even if you ate more than 10, 3.5-ounce servings of these foods.

If you have been placed on a low purine diet that calls for no more than 150 milligrams a day of dietary purines, you should still be able to consume a 3.5-ounce serving of these foods a day without exceeding the 150 milligrams limit. Please check with your family doctor if you have any concerns.

• Linda DeFever is the owner of Vitality Inc., Where Exercise and Nutrition Meet in Balance at Serenity Health Resources in Wauconda. To have your health and fitness questions answered, e-mail DeFever at ocfever01@yahoo.com.



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Old play gets a new twist

By TOM WITOM
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The late Lillian Hellman's 1946 play "Another Part of the Forest," now in a stunning revival at Writers' Theatre in Glencoe, takes audiences on a dark and wild ride.

Set in a small town in Alabama in June 1880, after the Civil War, the play, a prequel to Hellman's better known "The Little Foxes," introduces the Hubbard family.

The family is filthy rich, as much envied as they are despised – and totally bereft of moral scruples. In other words, not the kind of people you'd want for neighbors.

Under William Brown's excellent direction, a stellar cast finely etches the key characters. The family is headed by self-educated Marcus (Joel Hatch), a cold, ruthless and controlling war profiteer who dotes on his manipulative daughter Regina (Kymberly Mellen), ignores and belittles his nervous wife Lavinia (Penny Slusher) and exploits his two sons – Benjamin (Matthew Brumlow) and Oscar (Matthew Holzfeind) by consigning them to a life of servitude, paying them little and working them hard.

Marcus' key strategy is to instill fear in the family he ruthlessly dominates.

His wife's wish to work among the impoverished and build a school for children of former slaves, her way of atoning for a secret wrong that Marcus committed early on, is dismissed out of hand.

Nor will Marcus ever look kindly on Capt. Bagtry (Timothy Hull), who fought for the Confederacy. Marcus agrees to loan money to a destitute Bagtry's sister, Birdie (Linsey Page Morton), only because he sniffs a potential payoff should he foreclose on her family's struggling cotton farm.

Similarly, Marcus berates the visiting Laurette (Audrey Francis), a woman of loose morals with whom his son Oscar is smitten. Emboldened by liquor and a free-wheeling spirit, Laurette is one of the few who gives Marcus a piece of her mind.

But when Benjamin learns the secret his father has long harbored, the Hubbard family dynamics take a 360-degree turn, and the cycle be-



Photo provided

Joel Hatch and Kymberly Mellen rehearse a scene from "Another Part of the Forest" at Writers' Theatre.

Tickets, please

What: "Another Part of the Forest"
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gins to repeat itself as one deceitful, power-hungry figure replaces another.

Meanwhile, Lavinia and her devoted maid, Coralee (Ira Carol), are each able to realize long-sought-after ambitions.

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"The Times They are A-Changin'" (with its prescient shouts to writers, politicians and parents) got a soulful makeover, partially due to Dylan's newfound residence behind a keyboard – instead of at center stage with a guitar.

Dylan, who took up playing keyboards on tour in 2002, finally seems to fit in that role, which gives him ample chance to lead his band, often with just a nod, a slouch, or a pointed stare.

His highway companions have no trouble keeping up, especially when it comes to guitarist Denny Freeman's fiery twists and turns. During a sultry version of "Tweedle Dee & Tweedle Dum," I swear I saw smoke rising from Freeman's Fender guitar.

The evening closed with the same, well-oiled encore Dylan and his band have been giving at all recent shows – the new Chuck Berry-derived "Thunder on the Mountain," a rephrased "Like a Rolling Stone" and "All

Along the Watchtower," which sort of combines Dylan's original with Hendrix's incendiary cover.

Although the singer's stuttering, overly patient delivery tripped up any hope of a stadium singalong, all of Dylan's words were almost perfectly clear (a true rarity at any arena show). I don't know if the credit belongs to Dylan's sound people or to the Sears Centre's acoustics, but it's good to know that decent sound quality is at least possible at the new entertainment venue.

In other aspects, the arena is nothing to rave about. It's a big, generic, concrete-and-steel box, lacking the warmth and intimacy of the area's better music theaters. The only benefit is the drive time for northwest suburban residents; although I have a feeling most of Friday night's crowd would have driven a long way to see such a great show from an old master.

For more information on the Sears Centre, call (847) 649-2222, or visit www.searscentre.com.

• Bryan Wawzenek can be reached at bwawzenek@nwnewsgroup.com.

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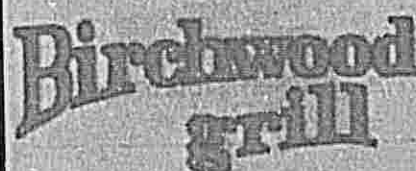
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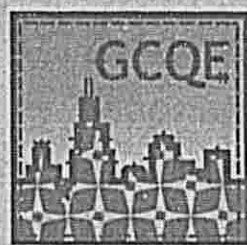
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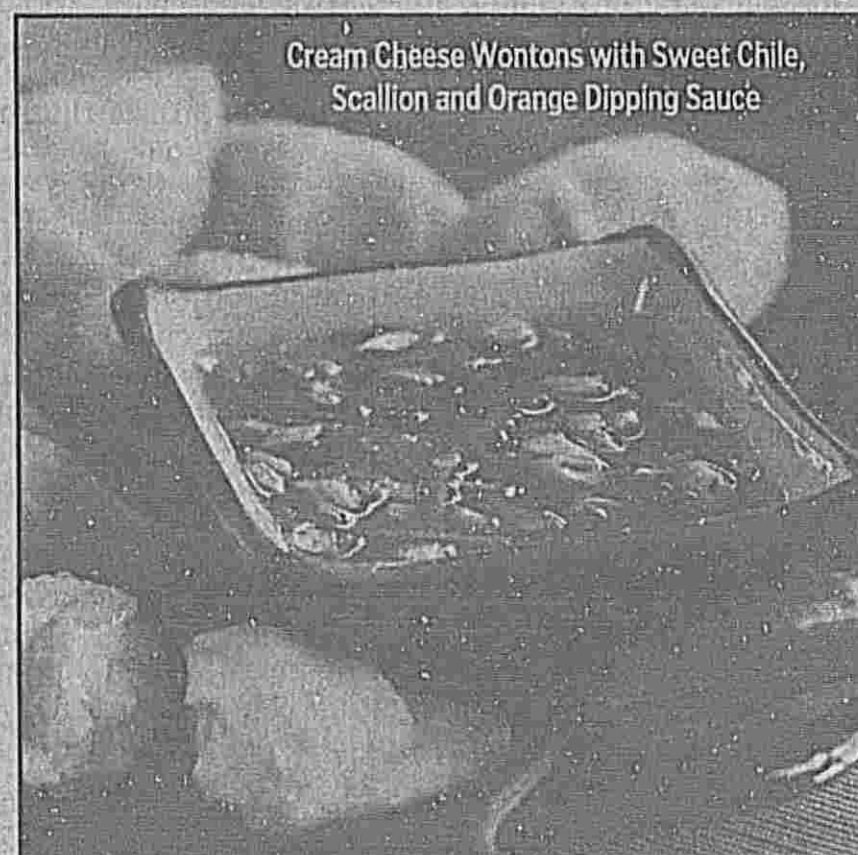
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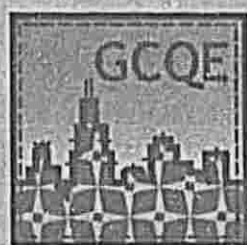
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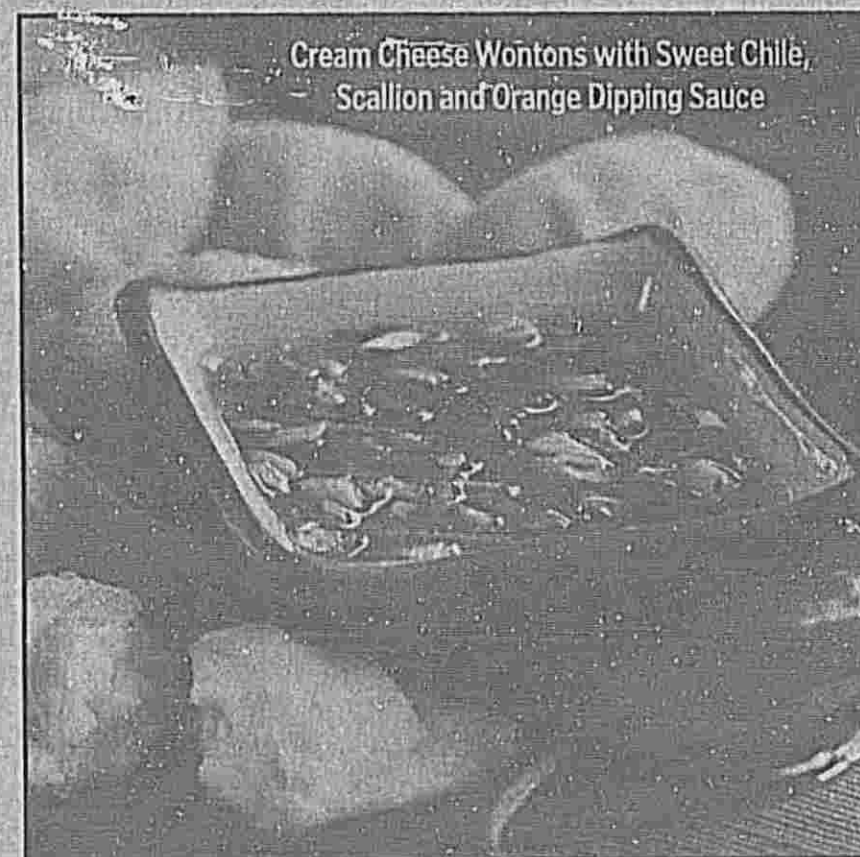
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With winter sports ranging from hockey to skiing (both cross country and downhill) to ice skating, sledding, snowboarding and more, the possibility for fun and some healthy exercise is everywhere, with something for everyone, athlete or not.

But winter activities bring with them risk factors such as extreme weather and isolated venues. There's also the very real chance of wiping out skiing full speed ahead down a steep slope, slipping on the ice rink and falling off a careening toboggan. "Playing sports in the cold and snow can take a toll on the body," says Alexander D. Blevens, MD, of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons. Orthopaedic surgeons -- with extensive training in the diagnosis and non-surgical as well as surgical treatment of the musculoskeletal system, including bones, joints, ligaments, tendons, muscles and nerves, -- see a variety of sports related injuries during winter months.

Statistics from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) bring home the need for using proper gear and common sense when pursu-

ing winter sports. In 2004, the CPSC reported that 51,524 people sustained injuries from ice hockey; 49,600 from ice skating; 74,000 from sledding, snow tubing and tobogganing; 35,483 from snowmobiling; 143,990 from snowboarding; and 144,379 from snow skiing. Injuries included sprains and strains, dislocations, fractures and even death.

"Keeping in good physical condition and wearing the appropriate clothing and protective gear are key ways to minimize winter sports-related injuries," says Blevens. The AAOS recommends adults and children follow these simple tips to help prevent winter sports injuries:

- Never ski, sled, ice skate or snowboard alone or after dark, except on well-lit ski slopes. Never engage in these activities after consuming alcohol.
- Keep a working cell phone handy when traveling to isolated venues, or at least let someone know where you are going and when to expect your safe return.
- Keep in shape and condition muscles before partaking in winter activities. Cold muscles, tendons and ligaments are vulnerable to injury, so it is important to warm up thoroughly before playing.
- Take lessons if you're trying a new sport. Learning the correct techniques can help prevent injuries.
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tive gear, including goggles, helmets, gloves and padding. Make sure your equipment is in good working order and used properly.

• Wear several layers of light, loose and water- and wind-resistant clothing to keep you warm and dry and allow you to accommodate your body's constantly changing temperature.

• Learn to fall properly: Try to fall on your side or buttocks. Roll over naturally, turning your head in the direction of the roll.

• Stay on marked trails and

avoid potential avalanche areas, such as steep hillsides with little vegetation. Be aware of the location of fences, trees, rocks, open water and patches of ice on your route.

• Pay attention to warnings about upcoming storms and severe drops in temperature to ensure safety.

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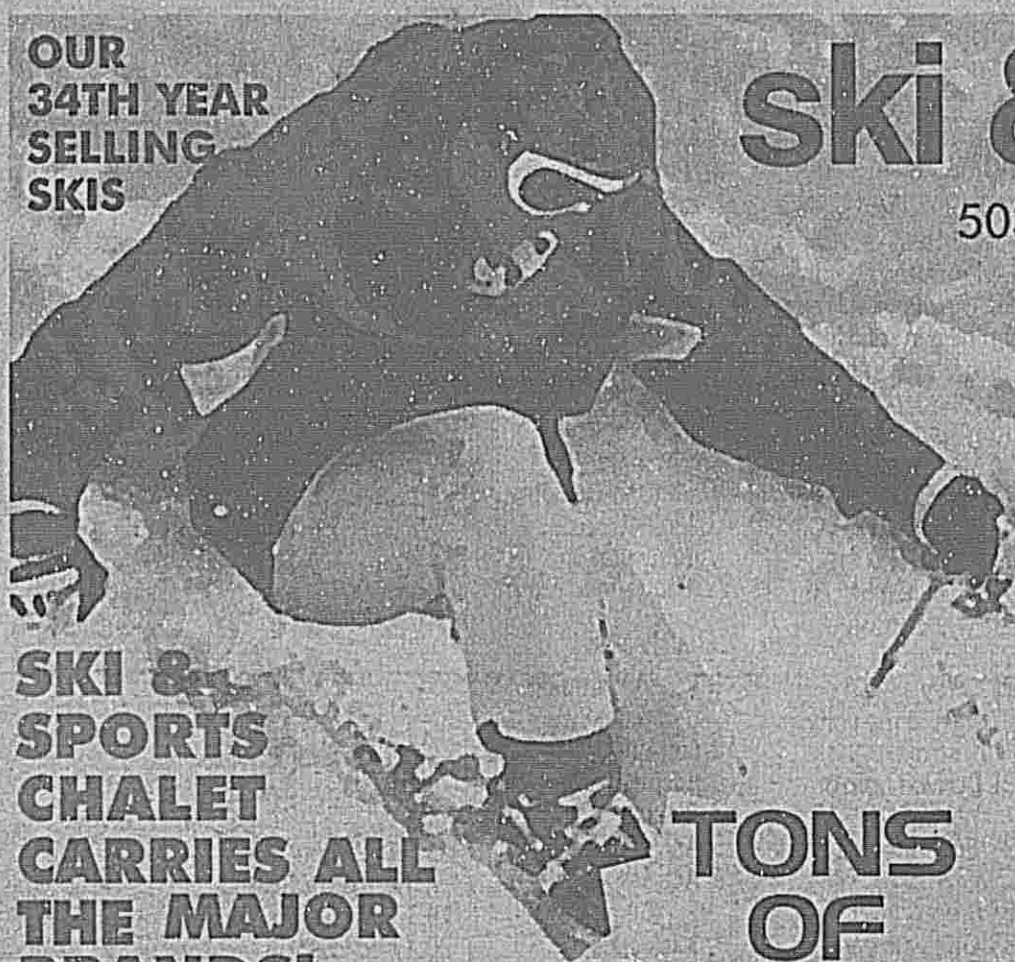
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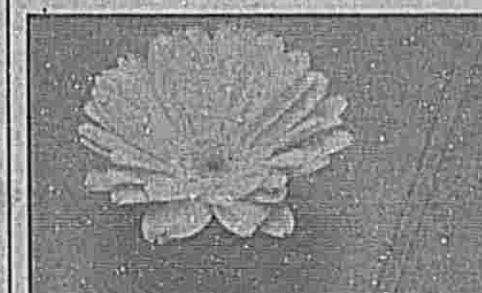
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Take down that wallpaper!

Have you grown tired of your old wallpaper? Is it out of date or the wrong color or pattern for your new décor? If you've ever tried stripping wallpaper using a homemade vinegar and water solution or a heavy commercial steamer - you know what a tedious, unpleasant and time-consuming task it can be.

But wallpaper removal is simple if you use the right tools and learn a few tricks from the professionals. Here's some advice that can make removing old wallpaper quicker and easier than you ever dreamed possible - even if you've never stripped wallpaper before:

Step #1: Score the wallpaper. Most wallpaper has a washable, waterproof surface. If the top layer doesn't peel away easily, you will need to perforate the wallpaper with a scoring tool. Scoring ensures that the wallpaper stripper is able to reach down and loosen the glue underneath.

Step #2: Apply a wallpaper stripper such as DIF Wallpaper Stripper. Available in a liquid concentrate, gel or fast-acting liquid, it is safe, nontoxic and easy to use. Mix the concentrate with water to remove virtually any type of wallpaper and adhesive. Or spray on one of the ready-to-use formulas - the fast-acting liquid is great

for removing common vinyl-coated or paper-backed vinyl wallpapers, while the gel handles the toughest removal jobs.

Apply the stripper one wall at a time, starting at the top and working your way down. It's formulated to penetrate and break down wallpaper paste quickly. In 20 minutes or less, the wallpaper will start to turn a dark color or begin to bubble. That means it is ready to be removed.

Step #3: Scrape off the loose wallpaper. If any glue remains, simply reapply the stripper to the area, wait 15 to 20 minutes, remove it or a sponge and rinse with clean water. It's that simple.

Stop fires in the kitchen

What's the No. 1 cause of unintentional fires at home? It's not cigarettes or faulty heating equipment. According to reports by the National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA), hundreds of people are killed and thousands are injured each year because of cooking-related fires.

In 1999, the latest year for which statistics are available, there were 96,200 home structure fires attributed to cooking equipment, including 1,800 fires confined to a cooking vessel. These fires resulted in 331 civilian deaths, 4,183 civilian injuries, and \$511.3 million in direct

property damage. Three out of four home cooking fires involve the range. And two thirds of the time, according to one study, the fires start within the first 15 minutes of cooking. Something most people do each day has the potential for being life-threatening if safety isn't maintained.

This time of year the potential for cooking-related fires increases. Many people retire from outdoor grill use for the year and spend more time around the kitchen stove. Additionally, with the holidays just around the corner, there is greater emphasis placed on creating home-cooked meals.

The NFPA also states that the incidences of cooking fires are not declining at the rate of other home fires. Therefore, an added safety push is necessary.

"Cooking fires remain one of the toughest problems we face," says John R. Hall Jr., Ph.D., of NFPA's Fire Analysis and Research Division. "We have made less headway in preventing cooking fires than in preventing other kinds of home fires."

Forgetfulness and inattention are stated as the top reasons behind kitchen flare-ups.

In most instances, fires start when the person doing the cooking is in another room. Upon discovering the fire, many people are injured attempting to fight the fire themselves - usually in an improper manner.

Often times, the first inclination is to stop the fire with an extinguisher or water. This can actually spread or splatter cooking materials, further aggravating the fire. Typically, smothering it with a pan lid or closing the oven

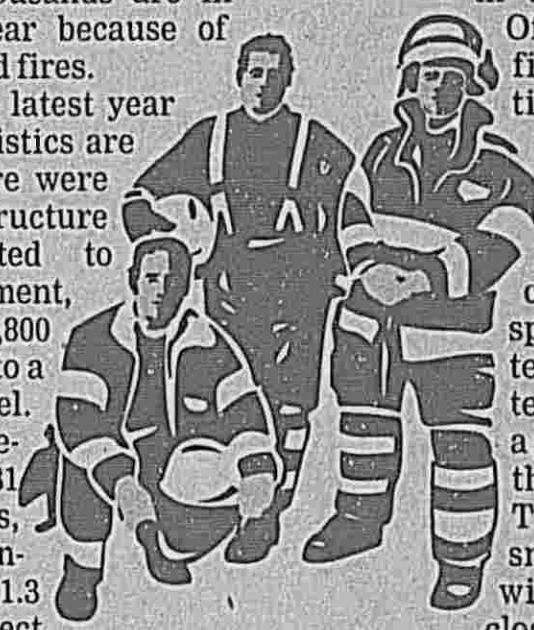
is the safest thing to do, apart from calling in the fire department.

To help keep the home safe while cooking, the NFPA offers these important tips:

- Don't leave cooking food unattended.
- Roll up sleeves while cooking and don't wear loose clothing.
- Keep children and pets away from cooking areas. Maintain a three-foot "safe zone" around the stove.
- Keep pot handles turned in to avoid spills. Try to cook foods on the back stovetop burners when possible.
- Keep potholders, dish towels, food packaging and other clutter off the stovetop. Don't place anything atop a toaster oven where it can ignite when the unit is in use.
- Clean cooking equipment; built-up grease can catch fire.

An added safety pointer is to keep smoke alarms in and around the kitchen plugged in or stocked with batteries. Too often homeowners disconnect these units due to false alarms triggered by smoky foods. However, smoke alarms can save a life.


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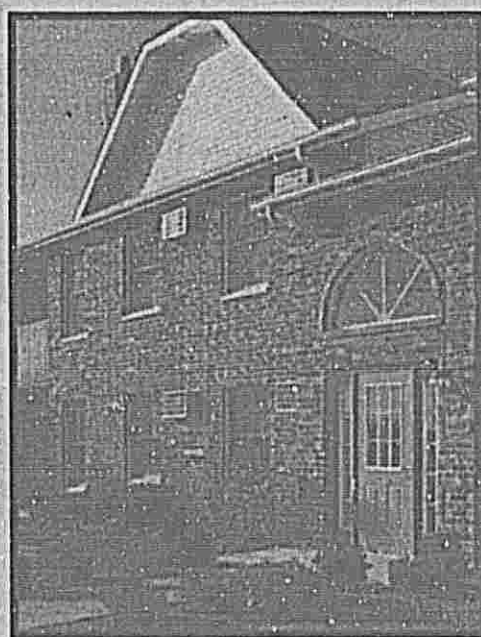
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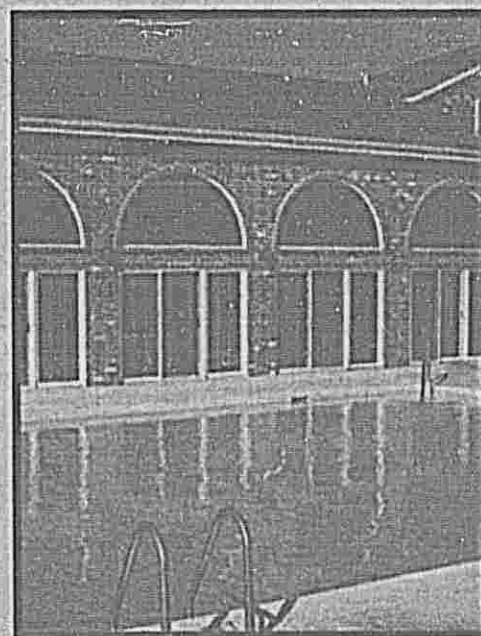
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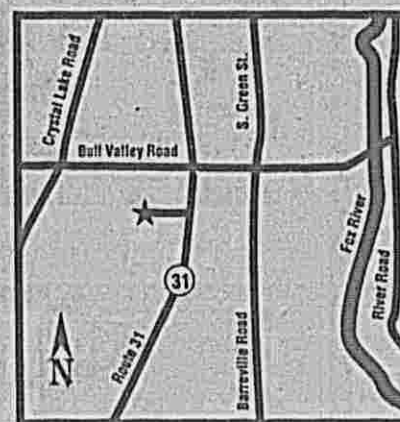
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Ceramic tile style guide for your room

Floors are one of the first things people recognize when entering a home. Whether it's to make sure they're not wearing shoes in a "no shoe" zone or if they are just making a mental note about a bare floor that's especially appealing, a home's floors can make quite an impression.

One increasingly popular flooring option many homeowners are choosing is ceramic tiling. While homeowners used to lean toward conservative tile styles and colors, nowadays more and more people are choosing to spice things up with bold tile colors. Such a shift does not even bear mention of the numerous styles of ceramic tiles, which can make the decision process all the more involved.

For those hoping to make the best decision possible, the following informative style guide should help make the decision process a bit easier.

• **Glazed tiles.** A mixture of clays pressed into shape, glazed

tiles are the most standard type of ceramic tile. The glaze is what's applied to the top of the tile before being baked on.

Though they're best used on walls, glazed tiles can be and frequently are used for flooring as well. Just make sure the finish you use isn't too slippery and won't scratch easily, something glazed tiles have been known to do when used on countertops.

• **Quarry tile.** Though this is a broad classification, quarry tile is distinct in both color and in that it is never glazed. Typically deep red in color, quarry tile is a mixture of clays that's especially suitable for interior floors thanks to its porous nature. While they can be left unsealed, unsealed tiles have been known to stain, so sealing is recommended.

• **Mosaic tile.** Unlike glazed tiles where the color does not go all the way through, mosaic tiles are made with color pigments so the color does go all the way through, meaning a

chipped or cracked tile won't have the top color and then the inside color revealed on the crack. Mosaic tiles are also useful for just about any surface, as they're hard to chip or crack as well as stain-proof and resistant to moisture.

• **Premium tiles or look-alikes.** Though not ceramic, slate, marble, granite, and limestone can all be used to make beautiful tiles by simply cutting them into thin pieces and installing them just as you would a ceramic tile. However, these can be expensive, and thanks to that you'll want an experienced professional to install them.

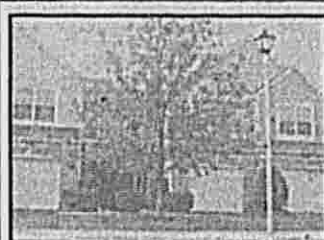
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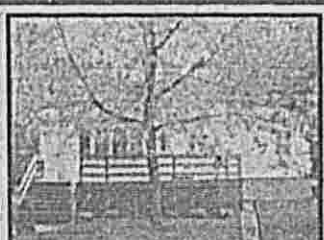


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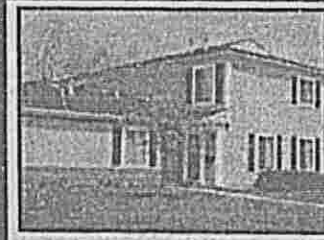
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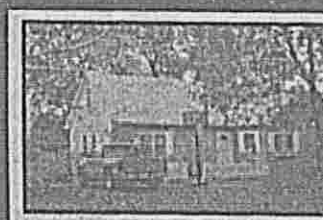
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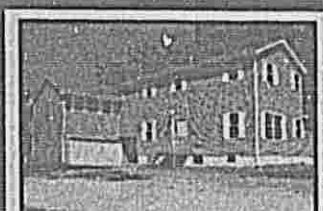
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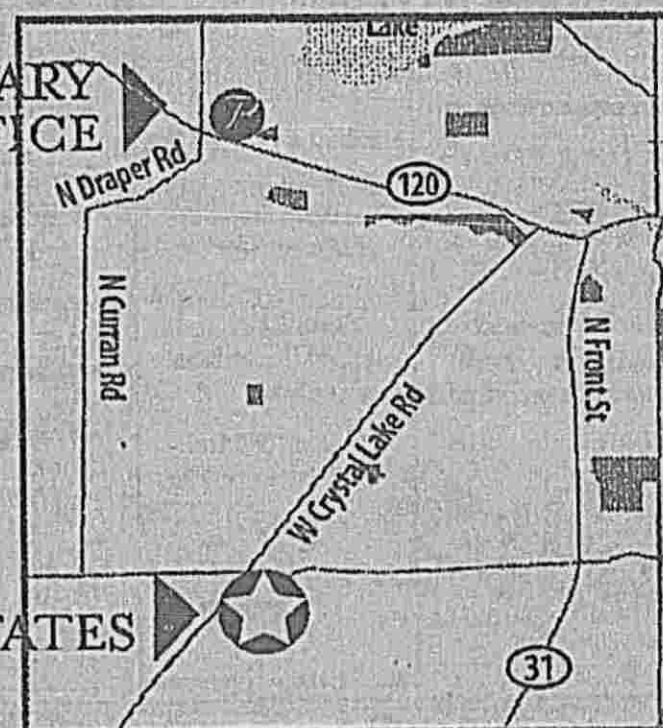
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Indian Hill Elementary School
1920 N. Lotus, Round Lake Heights, IL 60073
PIN # 0618200032 & 0618200033
LEGAL DESCRIPTION
(EX E 33FT) E 310 FT N 994, 5FT LYG IN S 511.6FT ALSO (EX E 33 FT) E 180FT S 35 FT N 1029.5FT PT NE 1/4 NE 1/4 18-45-10
SECTION 18 TOWNSHIP 45 RANGE 10

Round Lake Middle School
2000 N. Lotus, Round Lake Heights, IL 60073
PIN # 0618200031
LEGAL DESCRIPTION
(EX E 33FT) E 310 FT N 350FT S 861.6FT NE 1/4 NE 1/4 18-45-10

Persons wishing to appear at such hearing may do so in person, by attorney or other representative, and be heard. Communication in writing in relation thereto may be filed prior to the meeting with the Village Clerk, or at such Hearing.

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October 12, 2006

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NAME OF BUSINESS:
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NATURE/PURPOSE:
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NAME(S) AND POST OF-
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Alexander Giannopoulos,
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NAME OF BUSINESS:
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NATURE/PURPOSE:
Tanning - Fitness Workout

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR
TRANSACTIONED IN THIS
COUNTY:
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IL, 60002

NAME(S) AND POST OF-
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PERSON(S) OWNING,
CONDUCTING OR
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NESS:
Patricia Norton, 25470
Clinton Ave., Antioch, IL,
60002, 847-838-2422

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/s/ Patricia Norton
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NAME APPLICATION
NAME OF BUSINESS:
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NATURE/PURPOSE:
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October 10, 2006

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NAME APPLICATION
NAME OF BUSINESS:
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NATURE/PURPOSE:
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ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
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CONDUCTED OR
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COUNTY:
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/s/ Ralph Mierke
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ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME APPLICATION
NAME OF BUSINESS:
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NATURE/PURPOSE:
Personalized pet products
for pets and people

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
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IL 60031, 312-403-1096

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ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME APPLICATION
NAME OF BUSINESS:
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NATURE/PURPOSE:
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ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR
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gleside, IL 60041, 847-
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/s/ Linda Tournas
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ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME APPLICATION
NAME OF BUSINESS:
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NATURE/PURPOSE:
Producing artworks and
sculpture

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
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/s/ Joseph D. Rick
October 24, 2006

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PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME APPLICATION
NAME OF BUSINESS:
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NATURE/PURPOSE:
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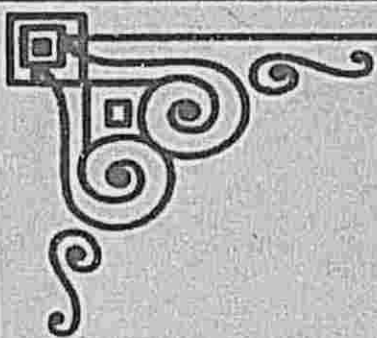
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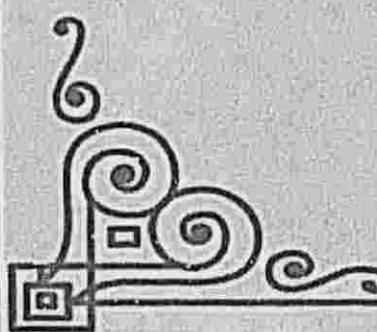
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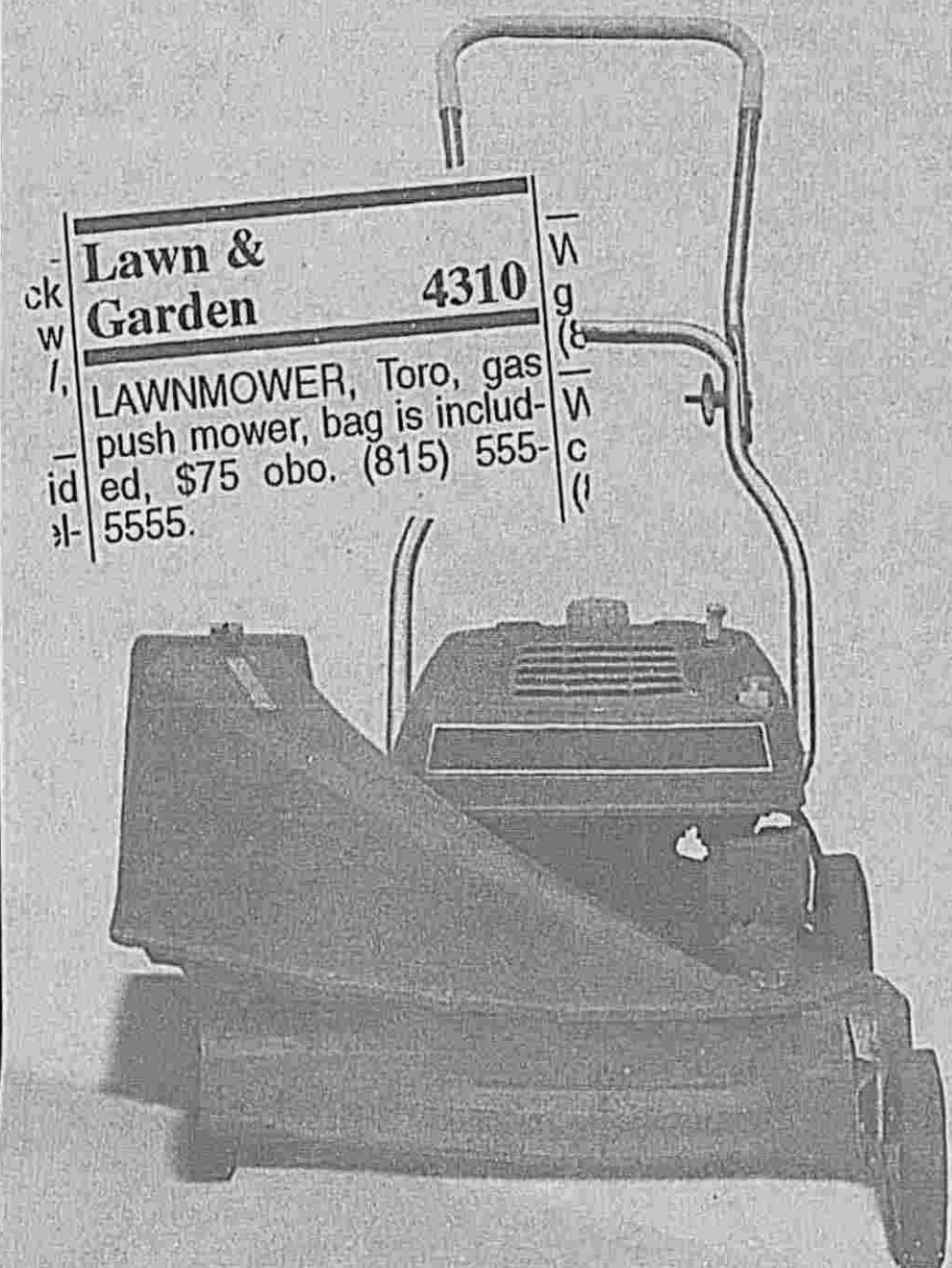
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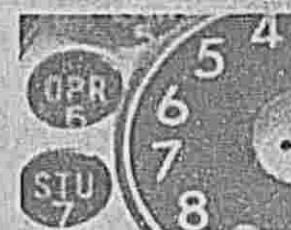
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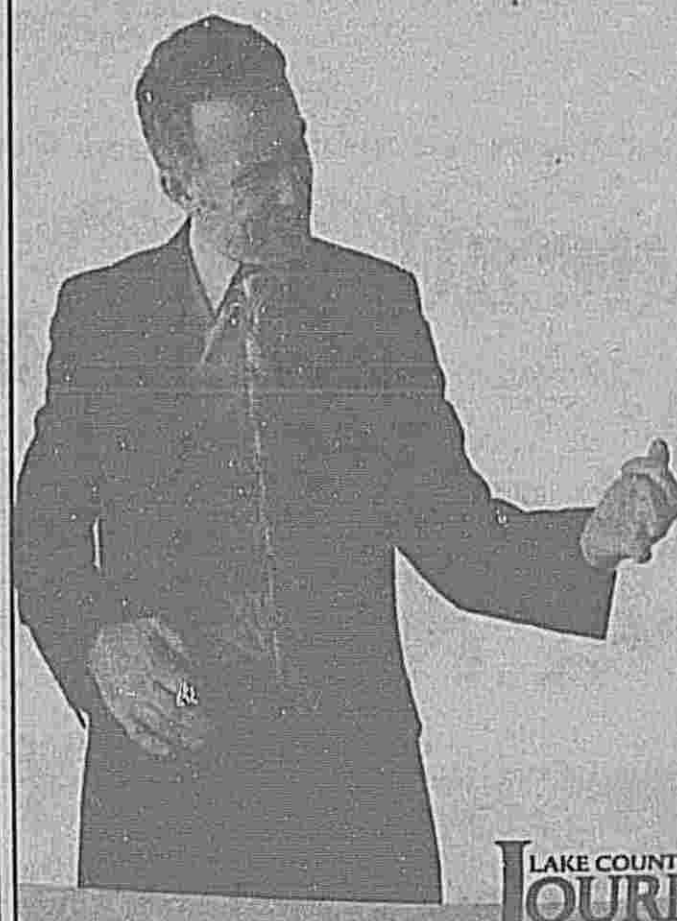
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or Email to: recruitment@nwnewsgroup.com

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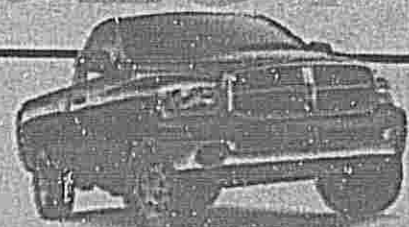
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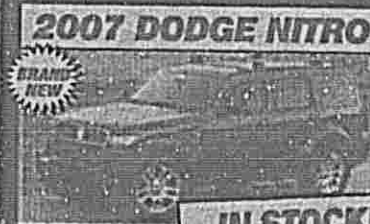
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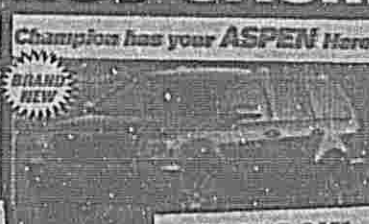
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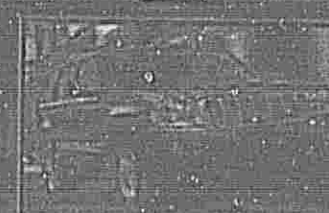
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Speaking of alternate ways to cook things, who'd have thought a bird cooked in a plain old paper bag from the grocery could be so good. We were, admittedly, skeptical until we tried it. No basting, no stuffing, no turning, no elaborate brining or trussing. Even the intern said he could do it. So give it a try (page 12). In addition, you'll want to try some of our sides. They're just different enough to be refreshing, but not weird. Oh yes, and relish the relish (page 8). It's the best we've ever tried.

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Jill Melton, Editor

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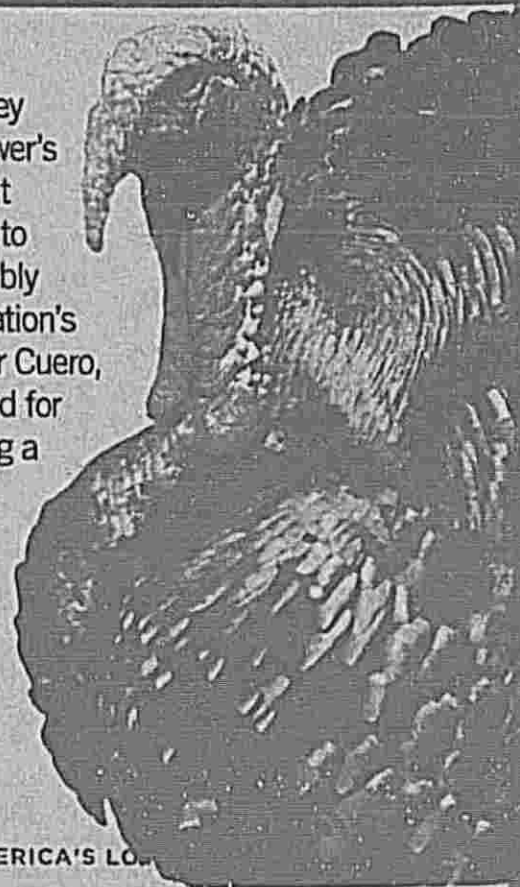
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Turkey Toss Up

Where in the world is the Turkey Capital of the World? The answer's not a simple one. At least eight cities have or still do lay claim to the title. The best bet is probably Worthington, Minn.—in the nation's top turkey producing state—or Cuero, Texas. The two towns have vied for the title for 33 years by staging a popular turkey race. Perhaps it would be simpler to be the Prairie Chicken Capital of the World. Cassoday, Kans., lays claim to that title, apparently without any other contenders to the throne.

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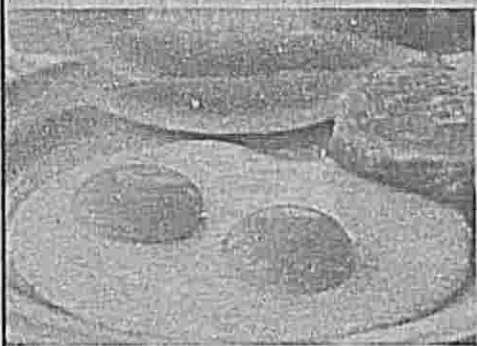
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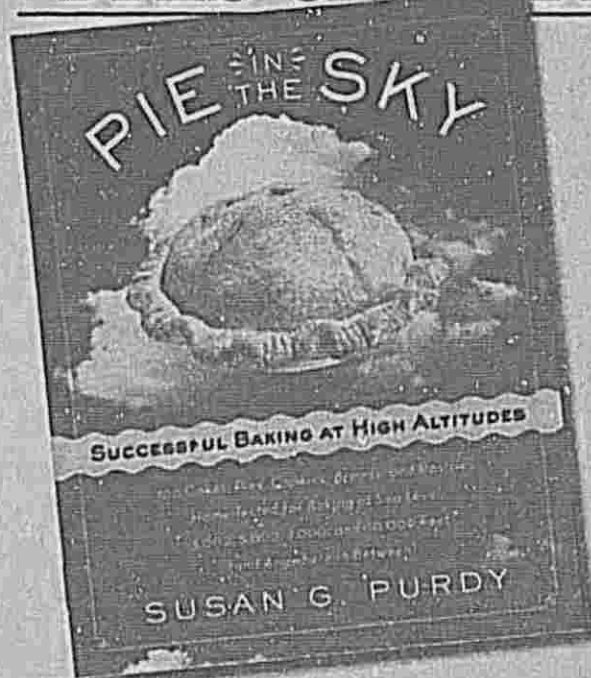


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Pie in the Sky

Has high-altitude baking got you down? You're not alone. Baking teacher and cookbook author Susan G. Purdy experienced her share of failed cakes and breads before setting out to uncover the secrets of baking high above her Connecticut home. Revamping recipes in the mountains of North Carolina, New Mexico and Colorado, she came up with some basic guidelines of her own. To prevent the disappointing cave-in, strengthen and moisten the batter by adding more flour and an additional egg. Also decrease the leavening and sugar, and cook the batter at a higher oven temperature. In her book *Pie in the Sky* (HarperCollins, 2005, \$29.95), she includes 100 recipes for cakes, pies, cookies, breads and pastries and recipe adjustments for those living at elevations between 2,000 and 11,500 feet.

What is... an amuse-bouche?

Amuse-bouche (a-'myuz bush) is a French phrase that means "amusing the mouth." It is a small creative bite sent out compliments of the chef to ready your palate for dinner.

Correction

In the October issue of *Relish*, we failed to credit our cover photograph to High Cotton Food Styling & Photography.

The Slice is Right

You can't judge bread by its color. Brown color and the word "wheat" on the label mean virtually nothing. In fact, refined white flour is always labeled as "wheat flour." To make sure you're getting whole grain bread, look for at least 2 grams of fiber (preferably 3) per slice and the following words:

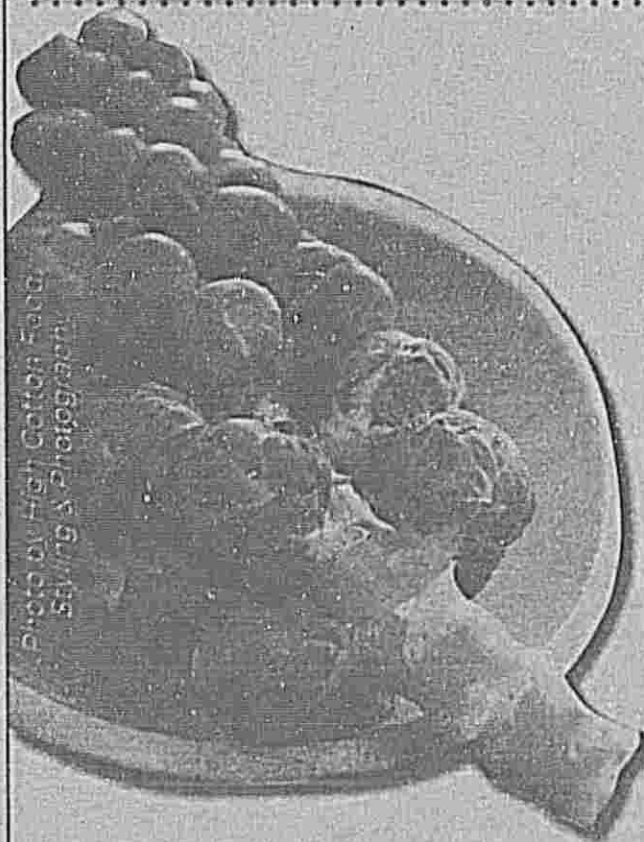
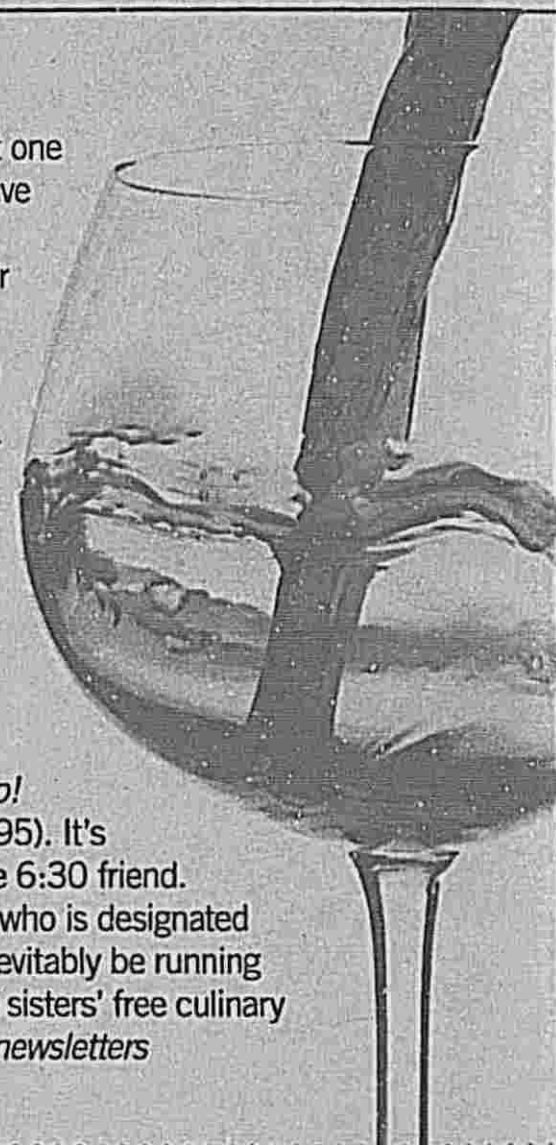
- "whole" before the grain (whole wheat flour, whole oats, whole grain corn)
- "100%" whole wheat
- "cracked" wheat and "rolled" oats

Be wary of these terms as they don't guarantee the bread is whole grain:

- Stone-ground
- Multi-grain
- Wheat flour
- 100% wheat or bran

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Bring your own glass—this is just one of the ideas the Purcell sisters have when it comes to livening up a party. The idea: guests bring their own glass tied with a nametag (that went out in the invitation or, in the case of email, they made themselves). This does a number of things—it gets them thinking of the party before it arrives and serves as a conversation starter. Plus you don't have to resort to plastic glasses or invest in expensive barware. You'll find this and other fun ideas in their book, *Cocktail Parties Straight Up!* (John Wiley & Sons, 2005, \$16.95). It's also full of useful tips such as the 6:30 friend. This is your tried-and-true friend who is designated to arrive early to help, as you'll inevitably be running behind. You can subscribe to the sisters' free culinary e-newsletter at www.wiley.com/enewsletters



Sprout Season

It's time for Brussels sprouts. Next time you're at the store, look for them on a stalk. You'll be sure they're fresh, and the kids will love plucking them off one by one. And while they're a perfect side to your turkey day bird, don't stop there. Cut them in half, sauté with a bit of bacon, and toss with pasta and Parmesan cheese for a quick, no fuss dinner.

Chocolate Tips

The quickest and easiest way to melt chocolate is in the microwave. Pour the needed amount of chips into a microwave-safe cup. Place in the microwave on high for 30 seconds. Check to see if the chips have begun to melt. If not, heat for another 30 seconds. When the chips have softened and lost their shape, remove from the microwave and stir until chips are completely melted.

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Doable Feast

We all know that it's the little things that make a difference, so we've added small touches that deliver big pay offs to some familiar Thanksgiving dishes. Sprightly and healthy pomegranate juice does double duty as a glaze for the turkey and a flavor booster for the sauce, while shitake mushrooms and apricots liven up the dressing. Round out these dishes with some make-ahead sides (page 16) and seasonal pies (page 10), and you've got a doable feast.

Recipes by Marge Perry, a freelance writer in Tenafly, N.J.

Pomegranate-Glazed Turkey

The sweet-tart glaze gives this turkey a beautiful ruby sheen.

Glaze:

- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- ½ cup pomegranate juice
- ¼ cup honey
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- ⅓ teaspoon cardamom (optional)

Turkey:

- 1 (12- to 14-pound) turkey
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon black pepper

1. To make the glaze, in a small saucepan, dissolve cornstarch in half the pomegranate juice; stir in remaining juice, honey, vinegar and cardamom. Bring to a boil; cook 1 minute, whisking until smooth.

2. To make the turkey, preheat

the oven to 375F. Remove giblets and neck from turkey and rinse, inside and out, with cold water. Pat dry. Sprinkle evenly with salt and pepper.

3. Coat a rack and shallow roasting pan with cooking spray; place turkey breast side up on the rack. Roast 1 ½ hours; rotate pan and roast 1 hour. Brush about half the glaze over entire surface; return to oven. Roast 10 minutes longer; repeat with remaining glaze and roast 10 minutes longer or until turkey reaches 165F. Let turkey stand 10 minutes before carving. Serves 12.

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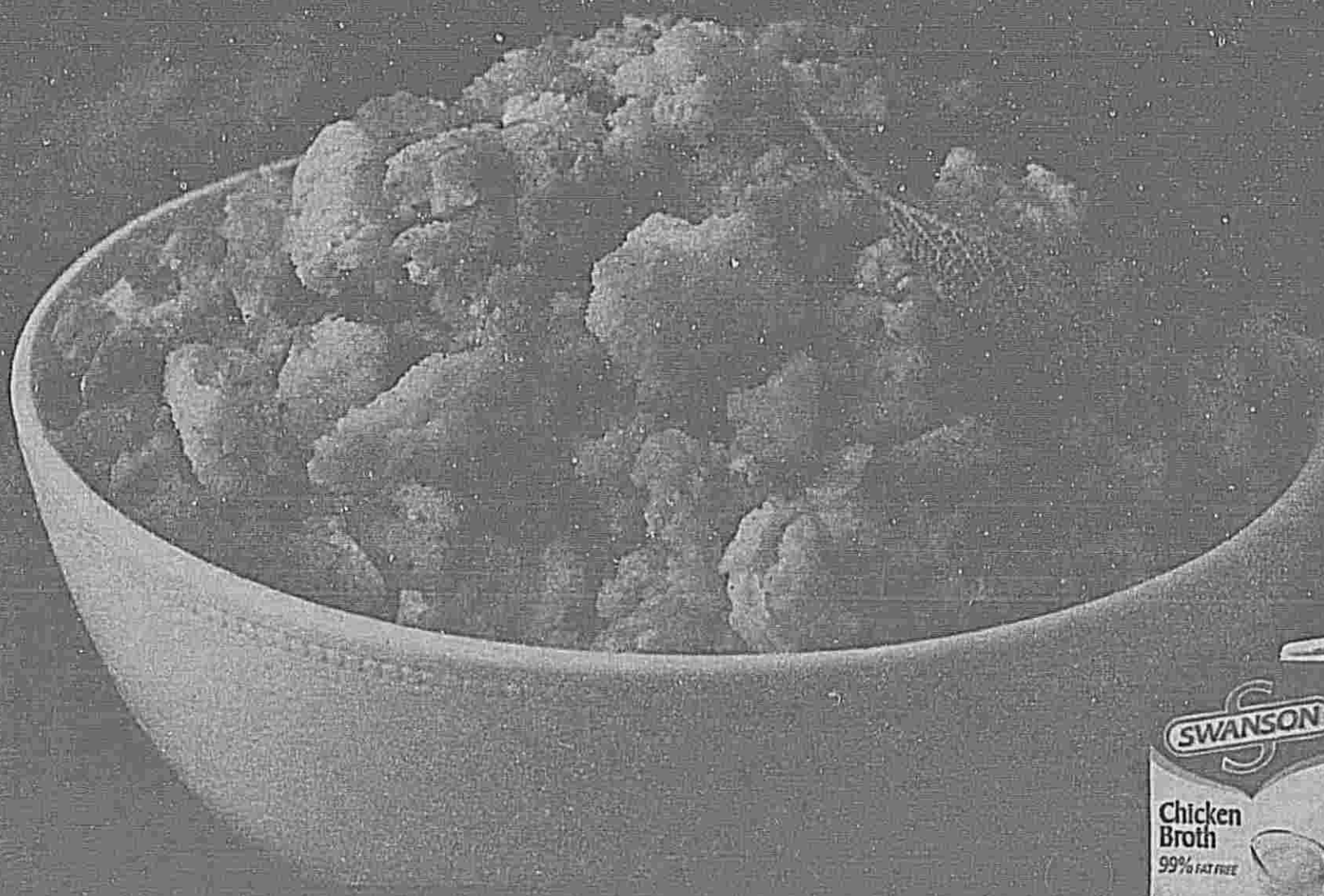
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1. Heat broth, pepper, celery and onion in 2 qt. sauce pan over high heat to a boil. Reduce heat to low and cook for 5 min. or until vegetables are tender.
2. Add stuffing and stir lightly to coat.

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Add 1 cup sliced mushrooms to vegetables while cooking. Stir 1/2 lb. cooked and crumbled pork sausage into stuffing mixture.

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is a wonderful day set aside
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November when no one diets.
I mean, why else would they
call it Thanksgiving?

—Erma Bombeck (1927-1996)

Pomegranate Port Wine Sauce

This sweet, fruity sauce is a nice change from traditional gravy. Use a fat separator (available at most housewares stores) to make short work of turning turkey pan juices into an elegant sauce. If you don't have enough drippings, add chicken broth to compensate.

- 2 cups pomegranate juice
- 1 ½ cups port (sweet red wine)
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- ¼ cup honey
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1 cup defatted turkey drippings or lower-sodium chicken broth
- 3 tablespoons butter

1. Combine pomegranate juice, port, vinegar and honey in a saucepan and bring to a boil. Boil 15 minutes or until sauce is reduced to about 2 cups.
2. Combine cornstarch and 1 tablespoon turkey drippings; stir and add to remaining drippings. Combine with pomegranate mixture and cook 1 to 2 minutes or until thick enough to coat a spoon.
3. Remove from heat; add butter 1 tablespoon at a time and stir until smooth. Yield: 2 ½ cups.

Per (3-tablespoon) serving: 90 calories, 4g fat, 1g prot., 17g carbs., 0g fiber, 115mg sodium.

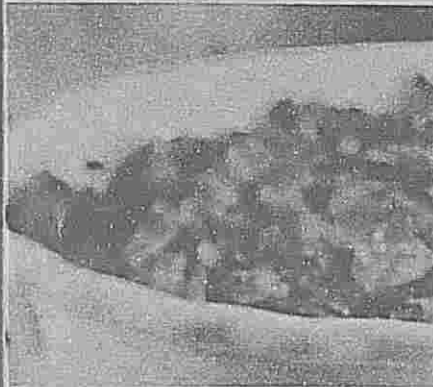
Cranberry-Jalapeño Relish

Make this relish a day ahead to allow the flavors to meld and the heat from the jalapeño to mellow. A fabulous contrast to Thanksgiving turkey and dressing.

- 1 cup water
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 (12-ounce) package cranberries
- 2 fresh jalapeños, seeded and finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon fresh cilantro
- ½ teaspoon cumin
- 2 to 3 green onions, sliced
- 1 tablespoon fresh lime juice

1. Combine water and sugar in a saucepan. Bring to a boil. Add cranberries. Return to a boil; cook 10 minutes without stirring. Pour into a bowl and allow to cool.
2. Add remaining ingredients and mix lightly. Refrigerate. Serve chilled or at room temperature. Serves 8.

Per serving: 90 calories, 0g fat, 0g prot., 24g carbs., 2g fiber, 10mg sodium.



Shitake-Apricot Stuffing

Assemble the dry ingredients up to a day before.

- ½ pound bacon
- 3 cups chopped leeks (from 4 medium leeks)
- 3 celery stalks, chopped
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon black pepper
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 pound shitake mushrooms, stems removed and caps cut in thin slices
- 1 cup dried apricots, cut in thin strips
- 1 pound hearty French bread, cut in ½-inch pieces
- 2½ cups lower-sodium chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons melted butter
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten

1. Cook bacon in a large skillet. Remove, transfer to a plate lined with paper towels, pat dry and chop.
2. Add leeks, celery, salt, black pepper, thyme and cumin to skillet. Sauté 10 minutes. Add mushrooms; cook 5 minutes or until softened. Remove from heat; stir in apricots and bread. (Stuffing can be made one day ahead up to this point.)
3. Preheat the oven to 350F.
4. Toss bread mixture with reserved bacon, broth, butter and eggs; transfer to a 13-by-9-inch baking dish coated with cooking spray.
5. Cover with foil and bake 15 minutes. Remove foil and bake 20 minutes longer or until heated through and lightly crisped on top. Serves 12.

Per serving: 353 calories, 12g fat, 14g prot., 51g carbs., 6g fiber, 1046mg sodium.

FROZEN MITTS, CHILLY WIND BLOWING. IT'S A GOOD NIGHT FOR STOVE TOP.

Stove Top Easy Chicken Bake

Prep: 10 min.
Bake: 30 min.

It's a good night for Stove Top Easy Chicken Bake. This easy-to-make recipe is perfect for a quick and delicious meal. The chicken is cooked in a creamy sauce with a hint of garlic and onion. The rice is cooked to perfection and the vegetables are fresh and crisp. The whole dish is topped with a layer of melted cheese and a sprinkle of herbs. It's a comforting and satisfying meal that's perfect for a chilly night.

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Walnut
Molasses Pie

Eggnog
Custard Pie

The Art of Pie

Cinnamon-
Carrot Pie

Judith Ogden Larsen's pie shop had a beginning as humble as gooseberry pie. She spread a quilt on the tailgate of her pickup truck and sold made-from-scratch pies to travelers along Interstate 80 in central Nebraska. Between customers, she played her fiddle.

"A hunter bought a blackberry pie from me and later called from Washington, D.C., and asked if I could send him a pie," Larsen says. Then another happy pie customer called, then another. That sellout day in November 2002 gave Larsen the nudge she needed to open The Village Pie Maker.

"I felt in my heart that this would work," says Larsen. While she lacked business know-how, she did know how to roll out a perfect pie crust and pack it with nearly 2 1/2 pounds of fresh raspberries or cherries or apple slices—"no canned stuff" is the company's motto. She had learned to crimp and primp a pie crust—lightly brushing milk and sprinkling sugar on top—at age 10 under the guidance of her grandmother Gladys Karre.

At first, Larsen transformed a bedroom of her home into a commercial kitchen. Freezers and mountains of flour and sugar quickly took over. Likewise, pie orders from grocery stores and coffee shops outgrew her 70-pie capacity Ford Escort. Larsen moved The Village Pie Maker into a quaint 1920's brick creamery building in Eustis, Neb., where six employees today turn out as many as 600 fruit pies a day—every single one by hand and plump with real fresh or frozen fruit. She delivers the frozen "take and bakes" by van to 175 commercial outlets across Nebraska and parts of Colorado and Kansas.

As she knew in her heart, "the pies sell themselves." Older customers, like Mac Grell of Louisville, Neb., love the homemade goodness and old-fashioned varieties, such as strawberry-rhubarb, boysenberry and walnut-molasses.

"I've made pies all my life and I'm 72, but no more since I found her," says Grell.

Although Larsen's days begin at 4 a.m. and rarely leave time for playing the fiddle, she's living the pie-in-the-sky life she imagined.

"I am so honored when these older women write and tell me that this is a dying art," says Larsen.

"Imagine, being thanked for baking a pie." ♪

By Marti Atton, a freelance writer in Joplin, Mo.



Eggnog Custard Pie

1 (9-inch) unbaked pie crust

Filling:

- 2 cups eggnog
- 3 eggs
- 2 tablespoons brandy or rum
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

Topping:

- 1 cup whipping cream
- 3 tablespoons confectioners' sugar
- 1 teaspoon brandy or rum
- Nutmeg

1. Preheat oven to 350F. Prick holes in the bottom of pie crust. Bake 15 minutes to partially cook.

2. To make the filling, beat eggnog, eggs, brandy and vanilla in large bowl. Add sugar, salt and nutmeg; mix well. Pour into pie crust.

3. Bake 25 minutes. Cover with foil and bake 30 to 40 minutes longer or until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean.

4. To make the topping, beat whipping cream in a small bowl until soft peaks form. Add confectioners' sugar and brandy; beat until stiff peaks form. Garnish pie with whipped cream and sprinkle with nutmeg. Serves 8.

Per serving: 420 calories, 28g fat, 7g prot., 33g carb, 0g fiber, 270mg sodium.

Cinnamon-Carrot Pie

According to Larsen, "this pretty orange pie is better than pumpkin pie ever thought about being."

- 2 cups cooked, mashed carrots
- 1 (12-ounce) can evaporated whole milk
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ginger
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 (10-inch) unbaked pie crust

1. Preheat oven to 400F.

2. Combine carrots, milk, sugar, eggs, salt, ginger and cinnamon; beat for 2 minutes. Pour into unbaked pie crust.

3. Bake 15 minutes; lower heat to 350F and bake 45 minutes longer or until filling is set. Serves 8.

Per serving: 340 calories, 16g fat, 7g prot., 42g carbs, 2g fiber, 410mg sodium.

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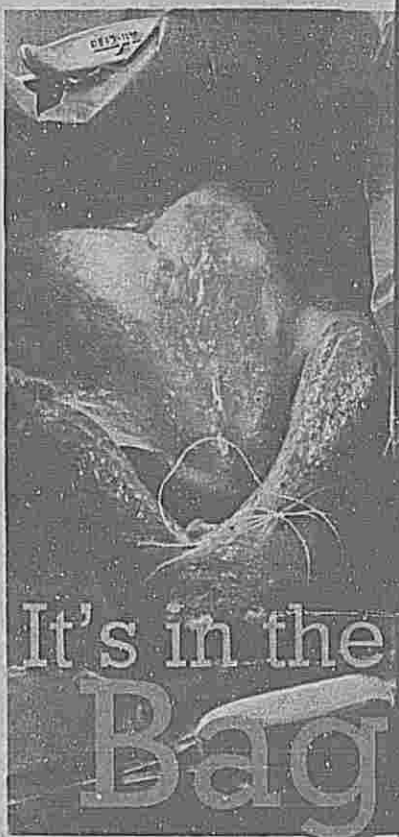


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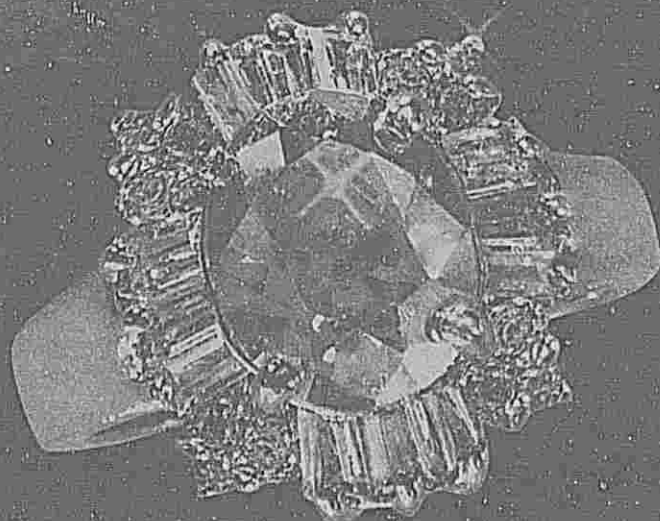
An ordinary unused brown bag from the supermarket is the secret for baking the juiciest Thanksgiving turkey ever. Here's how:

Preheat the oven to 325°F. Coat the inside of a double-strength grocery bag with cooking spray; spray the bird's skin (including inside wings and under legs). Slide the turkey into the bag (use a second sack for a large bird). Staple or tie the bag shut. Check for gaps if two bags have been used on opposite ends. Be sure the sack hasn't been punctured; then place it on a rack in a roaster pan. Check to be sure the bag does not touch the sides or top of the oven. Bake birds 13 pounds or under 20 to 22 minutes per pound and birds 14 pounds or more 16 to 18 minutes per pound.

Here's the hard part: don't peek. Do not open the sack until the timetable says the turkey is done. The sack will not burn in a 325°F oven, and steam is essential to retaining moisture and nutrients.

When finished baking, carefully poke a few holes in the bag to let juices run into the pan and steam to escape. After cooling, tear the rest of the bag away, put the turkey on a platter and make gravy with the drippings. You've just bagged the perfect holiday bird. †

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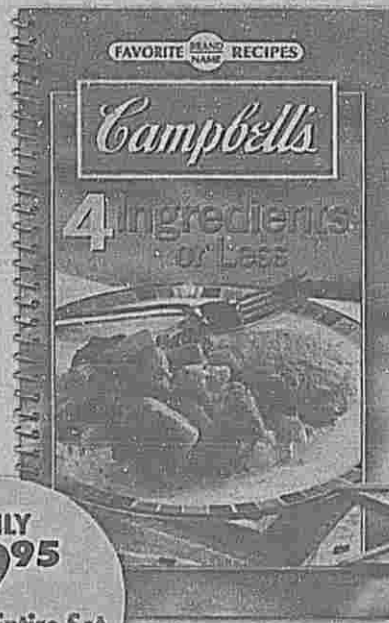
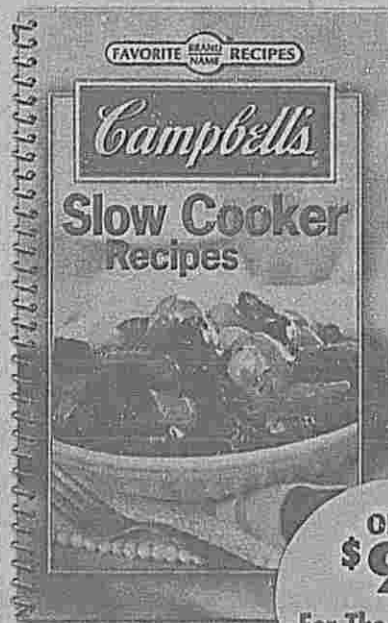
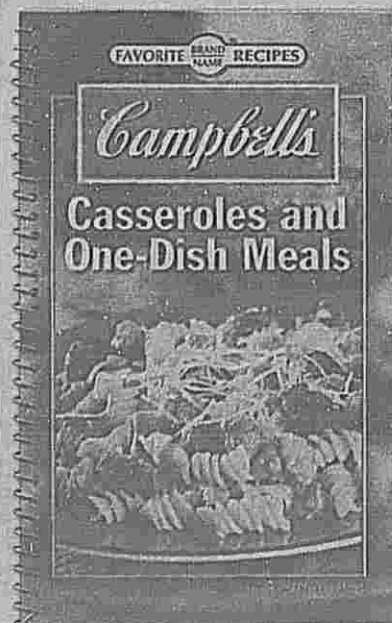
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- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 ½ teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon baking soda
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 egg, well beaten
- 2 tablespoons melted butter
- 2 tablespoons hot water
- ½ cup orange juice
- ¼ cup grated orange rind
- 1 cup fresh or dried cranberries
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1. Preheat oven to 325F. Grease a 9-by-5-inch loaf pan or 3 mini loaf pans.
2. Combine flour, salt, baking powder and baking soda. Add sugar, egg, butter, hot water, orange juice and grated orange rind; stir until moistened. Fold in berries and nuts. Spoon into pan and bake 50 minutes (or 35 minutes for mini loaves). Cool; wrap and refrigerate or freeze.

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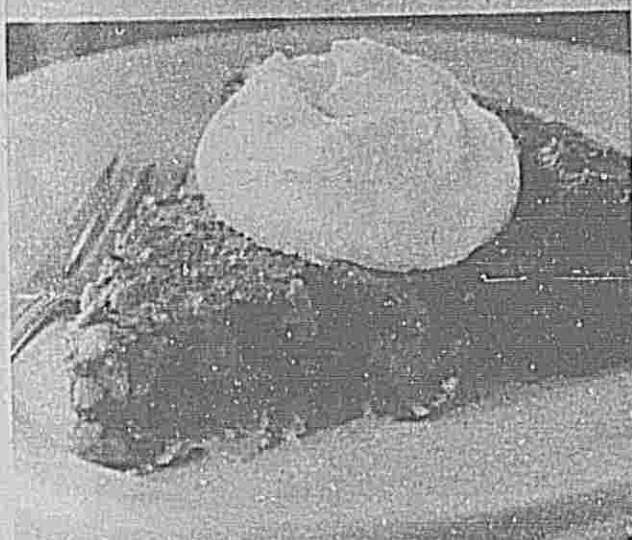
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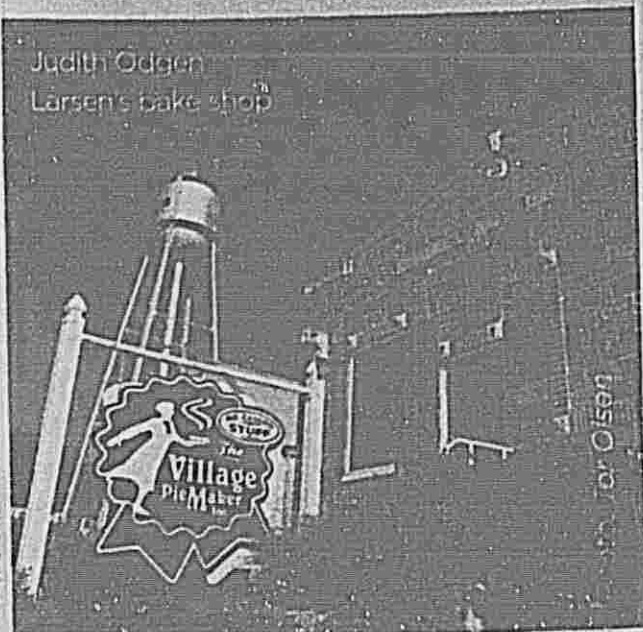
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- 2 tablespoons melted butter
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
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2. Beat eggs. Add melted butter, vanilla, salt and nutmeg; blend well. Add brown sugar, corn syrup and molasses. Mix thoroughly.
3. Sprinkle nuts in unbaked 10-inch pie shell; pour egg mixture over nuts.
4. Bake 1 hour and 10 minutes or until filling is set. Serves 8.

Per serving: 580 calories, 27g fat, 7g prot., 82g carbs., 1g fiber, 380mg sodium.

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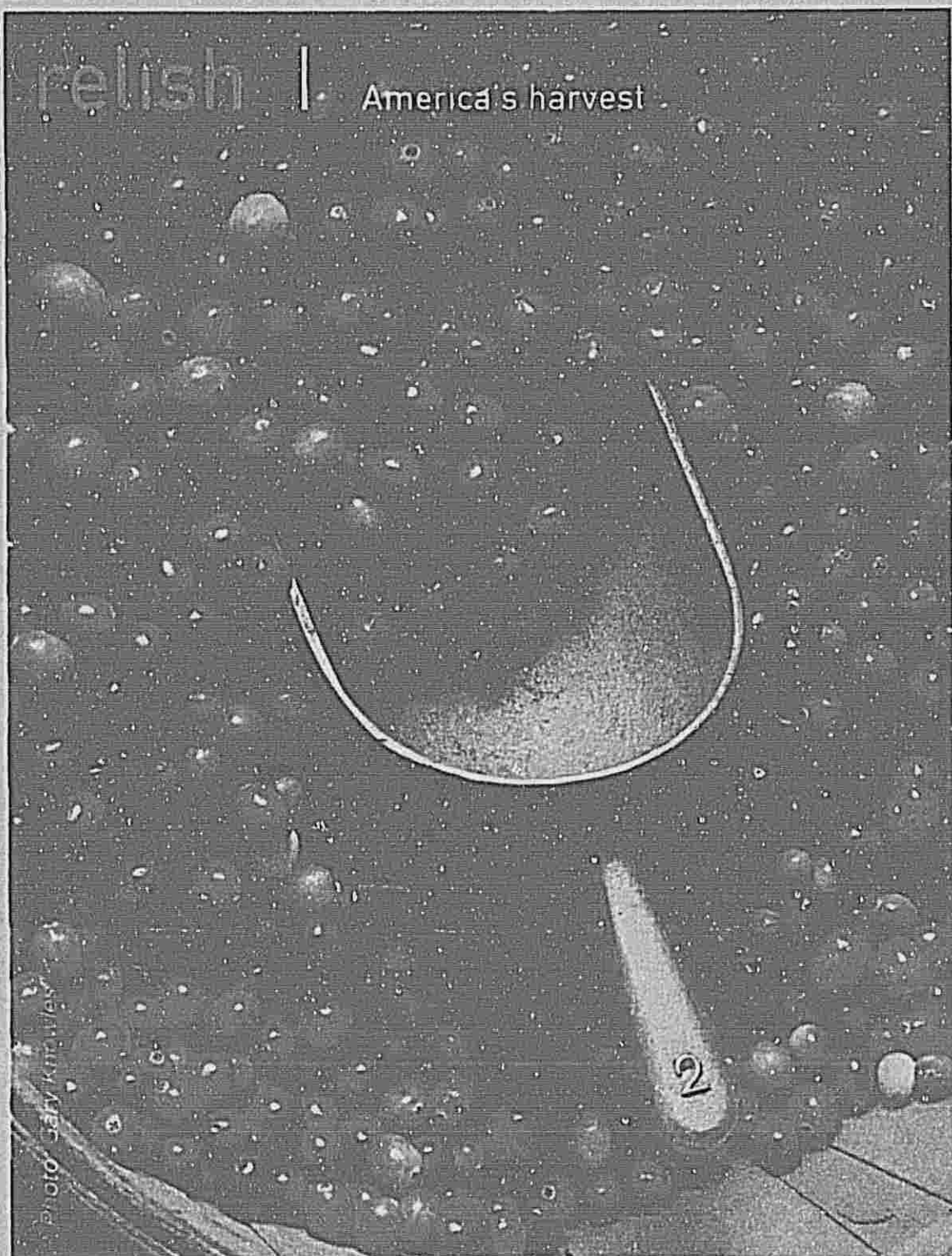


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Side Show

Big meal, little time—it's Thanksgiving again. And as we all know, the big meal is really about the sides. Here we feature side dishes that are doable, don't require a kitchen redesign and won't take you the entire month or culinary classes to prepare. They can be done with just one oven, and a lot of them can be made ahead. They won't scare the kids or the adults expecting a traditional spread. Butternut squash and tomatoes meld their flavors in a creamy bisque, roasted beets and walnuts star in a pungent salad, mascarpone and celery root spruce up mashed potatoes, and broccoli rabe provides a nice bitter contrast to its rich surroundings. ¹

Recipes by Crescent Dragonwagon, a food writer in Putney, Vt.

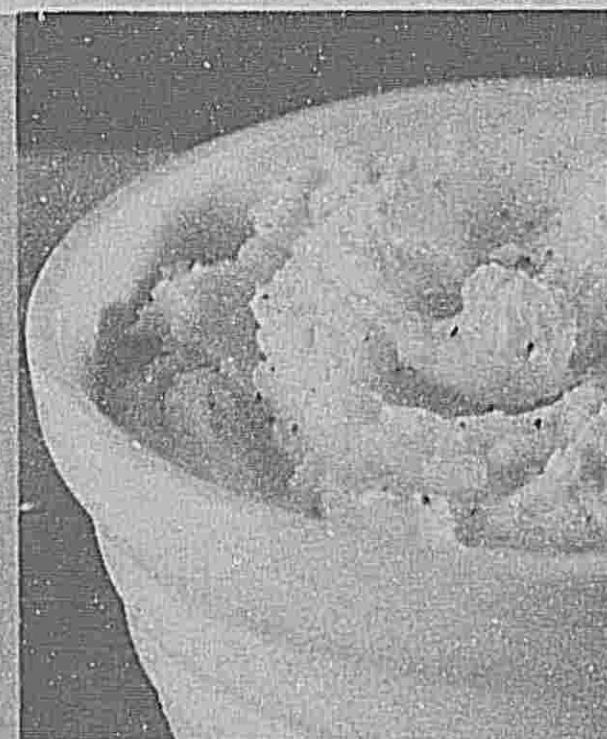
Mashed Potatoes with Mascarpone

If you make these potatoes ahead and pressed for oven space, reheat in a slow-cooker on the counter. These rich mashed potatoes are for special occasions.

- 4 pounds Yukon Gold potatoes, peeled and cubed
- 1 ½ pounds celery root, peeled and cubed
- 3 tablespoons butter
- ½ cup sour cream, crème fraîche or unsweetened yogurt, room temperature
- 4 ounces mascarpone, Italian-style cream cheese or conventional cream cheese, room temperature
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Freshly ground black pepper

1. Place potatoes and celery root in a large pot; cover with water. Bring to a boil, reduce heat, and simmer 20 minutes or until tender. Drain, reserving 1 cup of water.
2. Add butter and reserved cooking water to potatoes and mash. Add sour cream, mascarpone, salt and pepper and stir well. Serves 8.

Per serving: 380 calories, 17g fat, 8g prot., 48g carbs., 4g fiber, 980mg sodium.



Butternut Squash & Tomato Bisque

You can make this creamy soup up to a month in advance and freeze. The day before serving, thaw it in the refrigerator and heat it either on the stovetop or in a slow-cooker.

- 3 ½ pounds butternut squash (4 cups squash pulp)
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 (28-ounce) can whole tomatoes with juice
- 1 to 2 tablespoons maple syrup or honey
- 3 ½ cups lower-sodium chicken or vegetable broth, divided
- ¼ teaspoon salt

1. Preheat oven to 375F. Cut squash in half lengthwise. Place squash cut sides down in a roasting pan. Add water to depth of 1-inch. Bake 30 minutes or until tender. Scrape pulp from squash to measure 4 cups.
2. Heat butter and oil in a Dutch oven. Add onion; sauté 5 minutes.
3. Place tomatoes with juice in a food processor. Add maple syrup or honey; process until blended. Add butternut squash; process until smooth. Add squash mixture, chicken broth and salt to Dutch oven; stir well and heat through. Garnish with chopped tomato. Serves 8.

Per serving: 145 calories, 7g fat, 3g prot., 20g carbs., 4g fiber, 540mg sodium.



Garlic-Braised Broccoli Rabe

You can cook the broccoli rabe the day before; then sauté to finish while the turkey is resting.

- 2 medium bunches broccoli rabe (about 1 pound), trimmed and coarsely chopped
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 garlic cloves, sliced
- ½ teaspoon salt
- Freshly ground black pepper

1. Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Add broccoli rabe and cook 2 minutes. Drain.
2. Heat oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add garlic; sauté 3 minutes. Add broccoli rabe, salt and pepper and sauté 2 minutes. Serves 8.

Per serving: 70 calories, 5g fat, 2g prot., 3g carbs., 0g fiber, 160mg sodium.

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Prep: 10 min. Bake: 30 min.

2 cans (10 3/4 oz. each) Campbell's® Cream of Mushroom Soup (Regular or 25% Less Sodium)

1 cup milk

2 tsp. soy sauce

1/4 tsp. ground black pepper

8 cups cooked cut green beans

2 2/3 cups French's® French Fried Onions

1. Stir soup, milk, soy sauce, pepper, beans and 1 1/3 cups onions in a 3-qt. casserole.

2. Bake at 350°F. for 25 min. or until hot. Stir.

3. Top with remaining onions. Bake for 5 min. more. Makes 12 servings.



Make it festive: Stir in a colorful 1/2 cup of chopped red pepper with the soup.



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Walnut-Beet Salad

- 2 to 3 medium-large beets, scrubbed and trimmed
- Vinaigrette:
 - ¼ cup dark raisins
 - ½ cup cider vinegar, boiling
 - 1 tablespoon honey
 - 2 tablespoons diced roasted beets
 - 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
 - ¾ teaspoon salt
 - 1 cup toasted walnut or vegetable oil

Salad:

- 1 pound mesclun or spring mix
- 1 head romaine, separated into leaves, and sliced into 1 ½ inch wide strips
- 3 green onions, chopped
- ¾ cup walnut pieces, toasted
- 4 ounces blue cheese, crumbled
- 1 crisp tart apple, unpeeled, diced

1. Preheat oven to 400F. Wrap beets in foil, place on a baking sheet and bake 30 to 45 minutes or until crisp-tender. Cool; run under cold water to slip off skins. Dice, reserving 2 tablespoons for vinaigrette.
2. To make the vinaigrette, place raisins in a heatproof bowl; pour on boiling vinegar. Let stand 30 minutes or until raisins are plump and liquid is cool. Transfer to food processor.
3. Process until raisins form a dark paste. Add honey, 2 tablespoons diced beets, mustard and salt and continue processing. Gradually add oil. Transfer to a bottle or bowl. Refrigerate. Return to room temperature and shake or stir well before using.
4. To prepare the salad, combine greens, romaine and green onions in a large salad bowl. Toss well. Add walnuts, beets, blue cheese and apple to salad; drizzle half of vinaigrette over salad and toss well. (Store remaining dressing in refrigerator for up to a month). Serves 8.

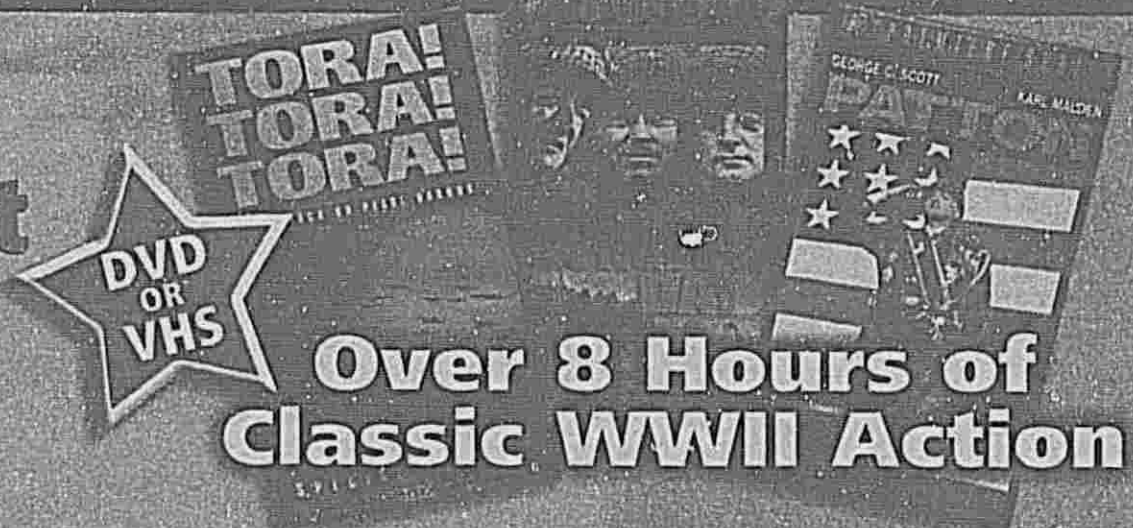
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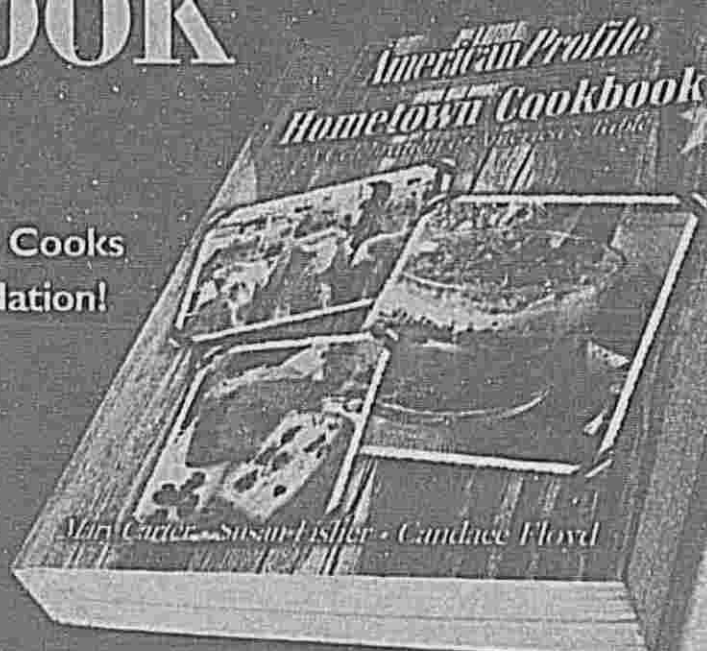
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Company Corn

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This silky smooth concoction has been dished up at practically every celebration in Kentucky for the last 200 years, says Ouita Michel, chef and owner of the Holly Hill Inn in Midway, Ky. "Corn pudding is a real old American recipe," she says. "We have so much corn here, and it's something you could make right on the farm with just corn, eggs, milk and a little flour."

Though you'll always find corn pudding at church potlucks and family gatherings, no two puddings are exactly alike. Some cooks swear by creamed corn; others will not make it unless they have fresh on hand. Some use cream and no flour; others separate the eggs. But no one uses yellow corn. "Around here, yellow corn is for the animals," Michel says.

The variations are endless. "But no matter the version, it's served with everything around here," Michel explains. "It's what you call your silver bullet—it never goes wrong."

By Jeanette Hurt, a freelance food writer in Milwaukee, Wis.

Corn Pudding

Holly Hill Inn in Midway, Ky., uses heavy cream and whole milk for this rich side dish, but you can lighten it by substituting half-and-half and 2 percent low-fat milk.

- 9 ears fresh corn
- 3 eggs
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted

1. Preheat oven to 350F. Cut corn kernels off the cobs; "milk" the ears by scraping each cob firmly with the back of a knife.

2. In a large bowl, lightly beat eggs with cream, milk, sugar and salt. Add the corn.

3. Pour melted butter into 6 individual (4- to 6-ounce) ramekins or into a 2-quart glass or ceramic baking dish. Tilt ramekins to coat sides and bottoms. Divide corn mixture among ramekins.

4. Place ramekins or baking dish into in a water bath (a pan filled with water, up to about 1/2-inch below the edge of the dishes) and bake 50 to 60 minutes or until the eggs are set and a knife comes out clean. Serves 6.

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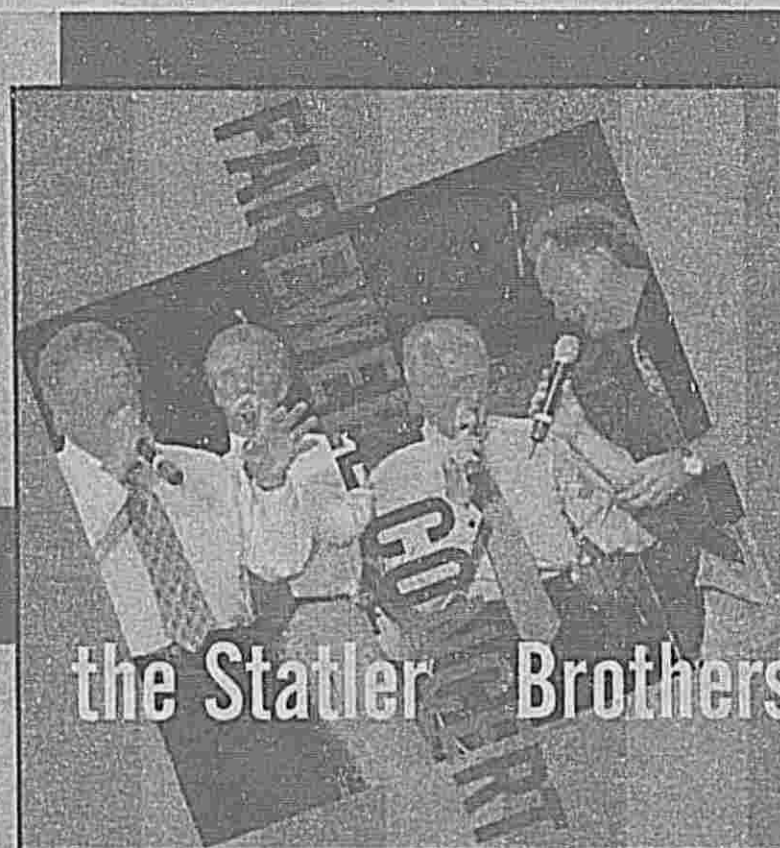
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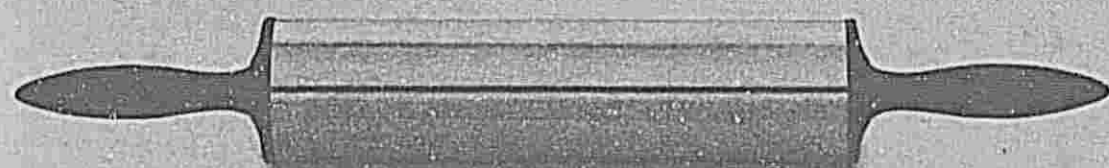
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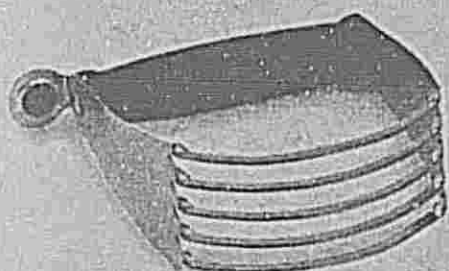
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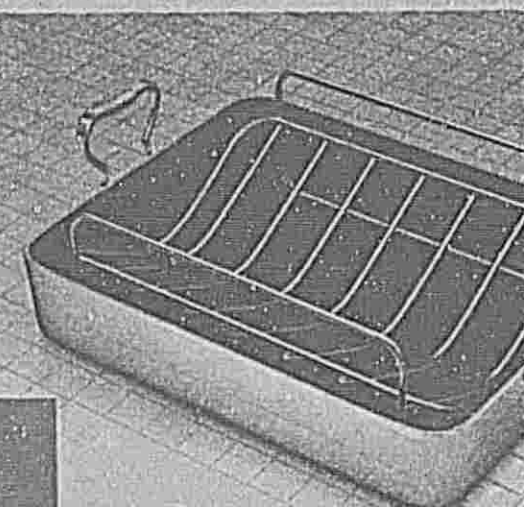
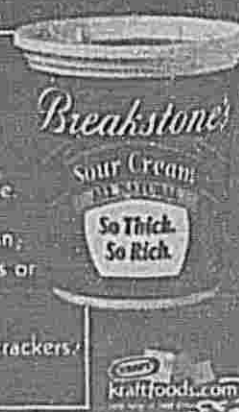
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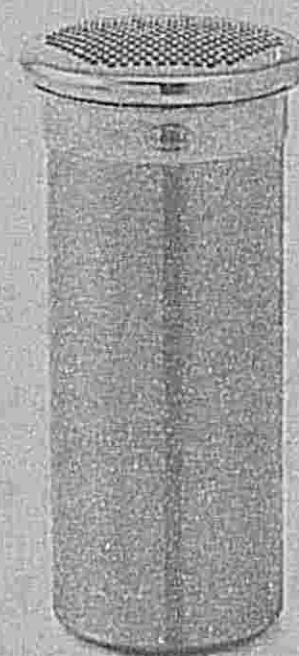
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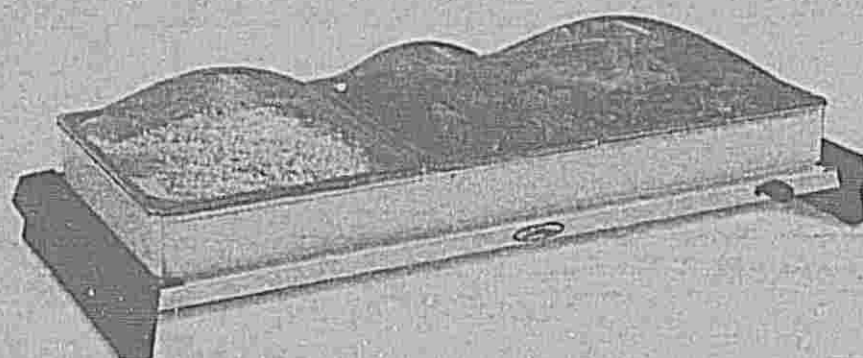


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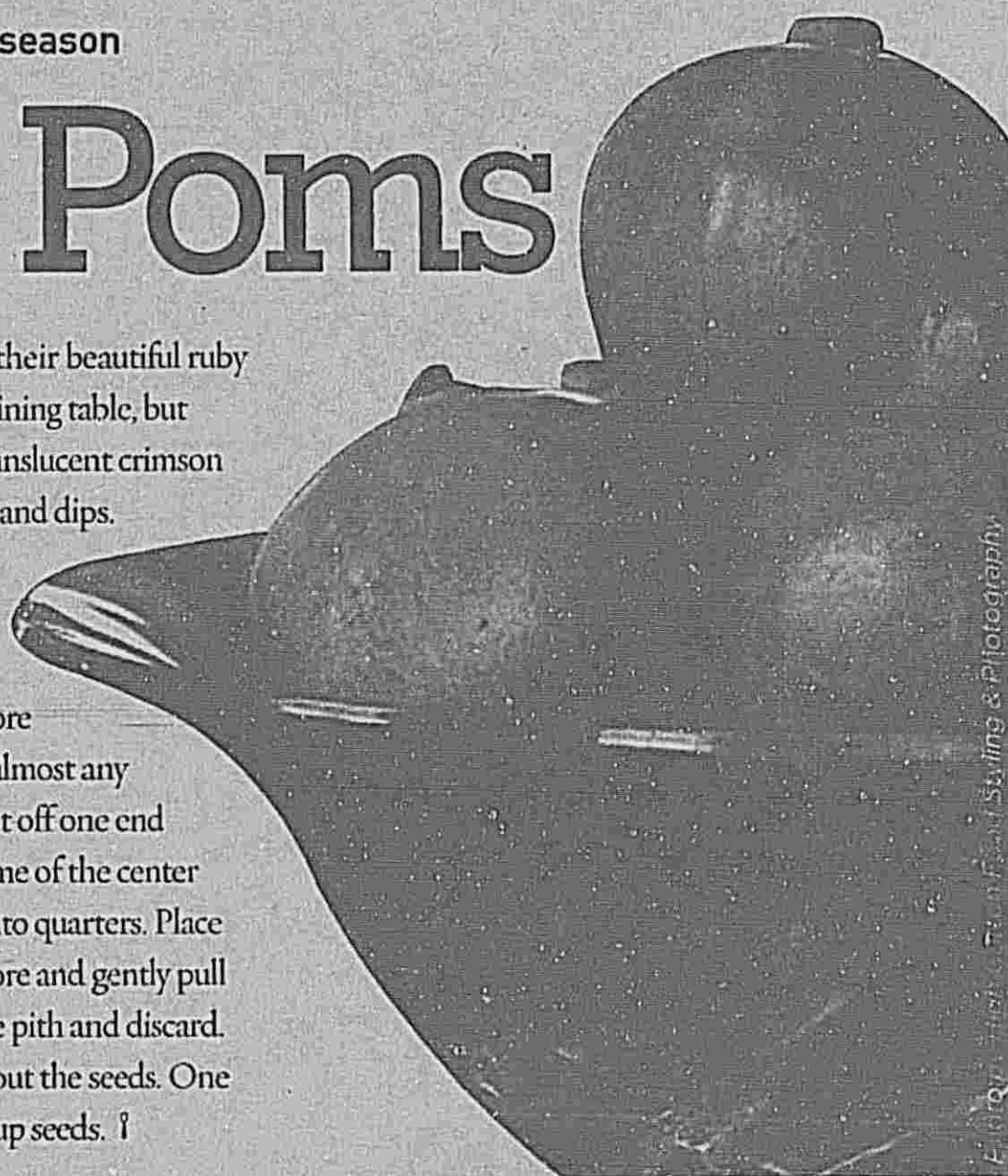
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- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup extra-virgin olive oil
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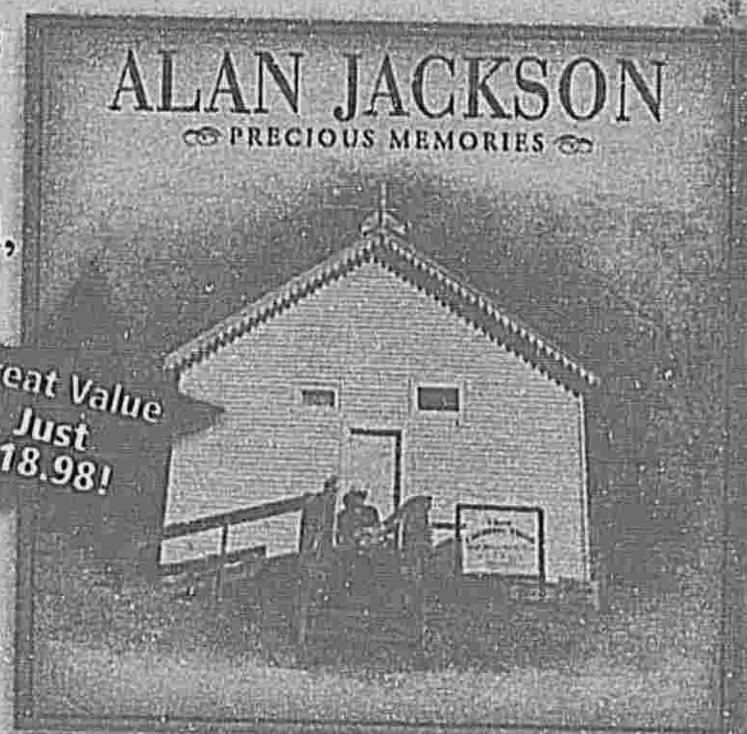
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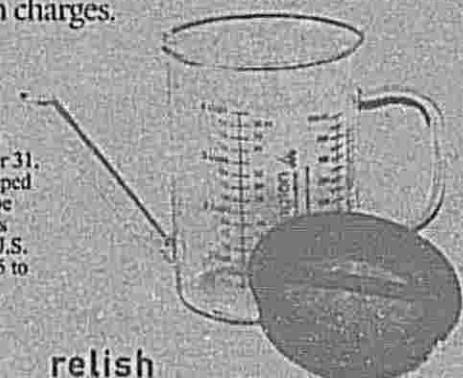
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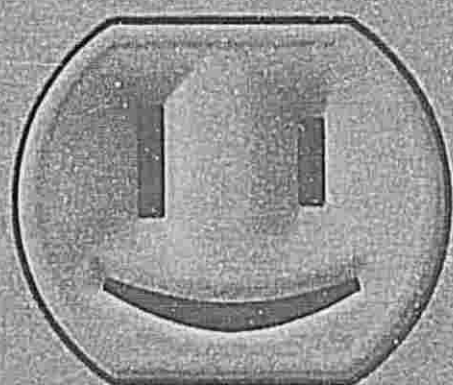
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—Jim Wilson, Yuca Valley, Calif.



Western star Hank Worden

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Q What can you tell me about Ryan Simpkins? She was great in the movie *Sherrybaby*.

—Andry Hernandez, Bullhead City, Ariz.



Actress Ryan Simpkins

Ryan, an 8-year-old Girl Scout who received raves for her portrayal of the daughter of a troubled ex-con (Maggie Gyllenhaal) in *Sherrybaby*, has acted in commercials and music videos since she was 4 and had a guest role in a 2004 episode of the TV series *Law and Order: SVU*. She'll appear alongside her brother Ty in the movie *Pride and Glory*, scheduled for release next year, and currently has a small part in the Broadway play *Festen*.

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Q Whatever happened to Sha Na Na, specifically singer Johnny?

—Delores Glass, Fuquay Varina, N.C.

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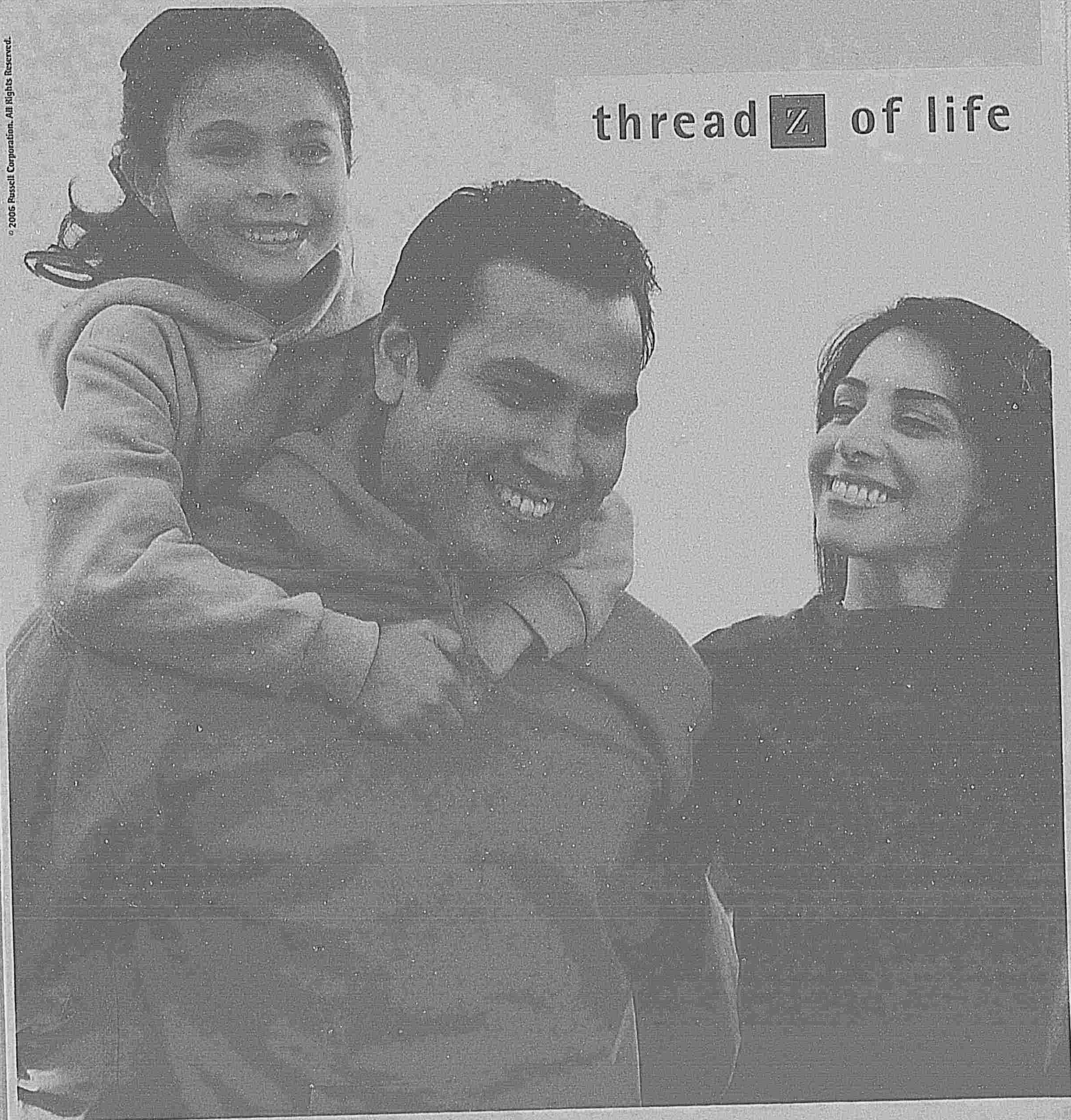
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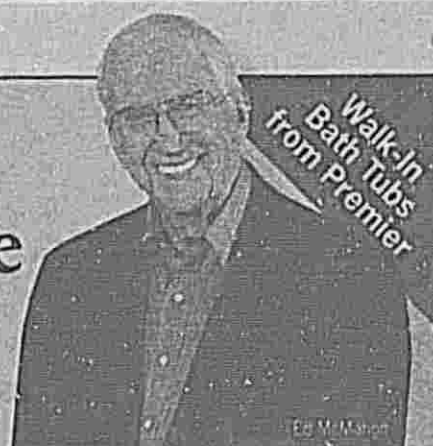
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the project originally was intended to emphasize local agricultural heritage, it's also preserving historic barns for future generations, a fact that doesn't surprise Donna Sue Groves, 58, a field representative with the Ohio Arts Council who founded the original barn quilt project in Adams County, Ohio.

"The barn quilts are public art that celebrates the place people call home," Groves says. "They make



John Conrad III gave his old barn new life as part of the area's outdoor art project.

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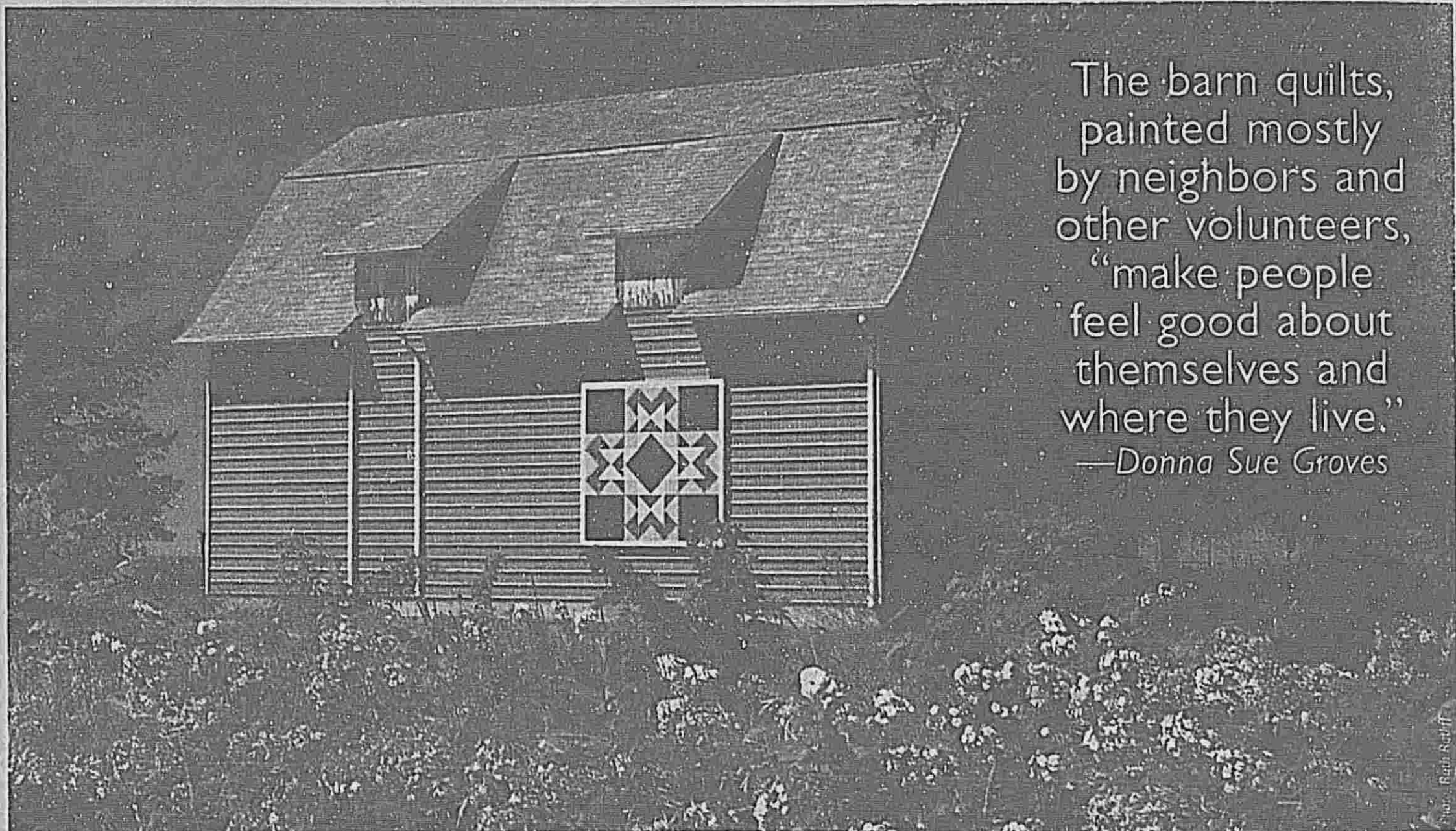
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The barn quilts,
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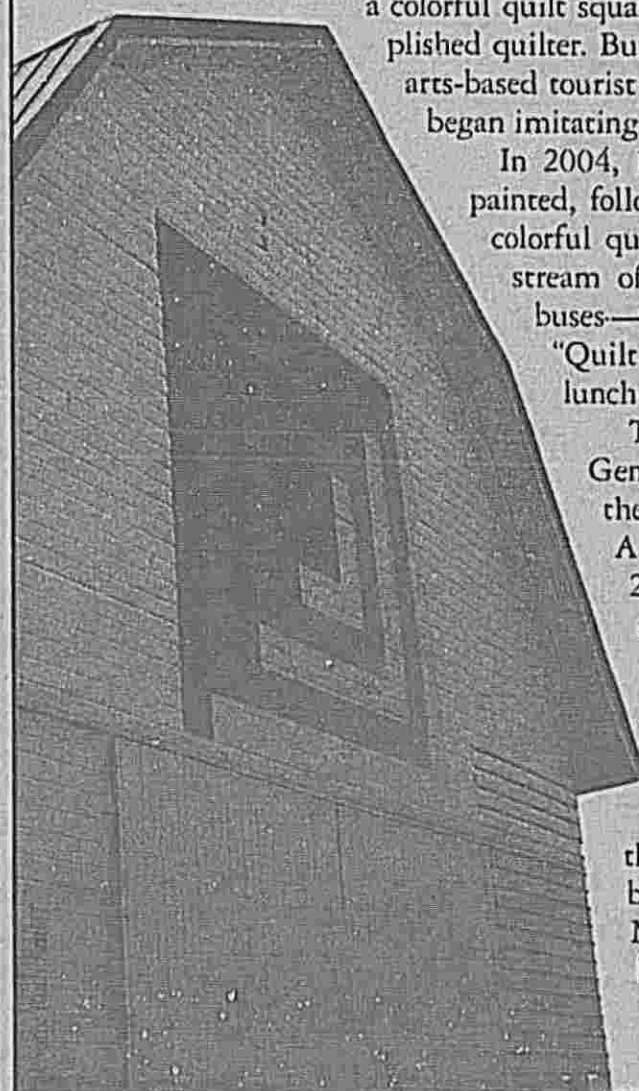
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Groves conceived the idea in 2001 to brighten an abandoned tobacco barn on her family's property in Manchester, Ohio. The barn became her canvas to paint a colorful quilt square to honor her mother, an accomplished quilter. But the mural soon morphed into an arts-based tourist attraction that other communities began imitating.

In 2004, 13 barns in Grundy County were painted, followed by another 12 in 2005. The colorful quilt murals have attracted a steady stream of visitors—some in cars, some in buses—who follow the county's seven-town "Quilt Loop," along which they often grab lunch or peruse local shops.

To Julie McNair, co-owner of the General Store in Conrad (pop. 1,066), the barn project came at a good time. A recently completed highway, U.S. 20, had set a faster pace that encouraged cars to whiz past area towns without stopping. "We needed to have something that would pull people off the highway, that would get people to come and say, 'Gee whiz, there is something in Grundy County besides black dirt, corn and soybeans!'" says McNair, 53, who heads the county's barn quilt committee, which coordinates painting assignments.

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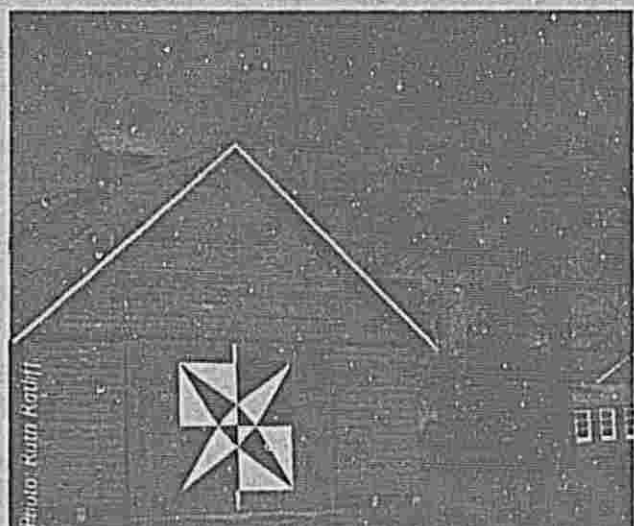
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the only Iowans who have noted how barn-side quilts encourage tourists to "get off the beaten path." In 2004, Kevin Peyton, 18, of Sac City, Iowa (pop. 2,368), began his own version in Sac County as a 4-H leadership project. So far, some 1,000 volunteers have painted 23 quilts, with more than two dozen others in the works. "The quilts are a real novelty item, almost a bragging right," says Peyton, who grew up on a cattle farm and hung Sac County's first quilt square at his grandfather's home.



Currently, more than 400 quilt squares are spread across 63 counties in Iowa, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee and West Virginia, prompting Groves to thread them together into a "national clothesline" of quilts by working to create a website with locations and maps of the quilt art state-by-state. She'd also like to organize a national conference where communities that already have quilt projects can share patterns, advice and encouragement with those wanting to start their own.

That idea sounds good to barn owner John Conrad III. "Rural America really has to take hold of its own destiny," he says. "We don't have mountains, and we can't create a big lake, but we can create other points of interest, like the barn quilts, that reflect our history, our heritage, who we are and where we're going." ☆

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Remembered Soldiers Forgotten War

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Korean War veteran Ron Broward's search for a fallen friend



Warren "Jackson" Rarick (left) and Ron Broward relax at a military outpost in this tattered 1951 snapshot.

Ron Broward, 73, removes a ragged black-and-white snapshot from his wallet and recalls a birthday gift given to him 55 years ago by his childhood friend and fellow U.S. Marine, Warren "Jackson" Rarick. The photograph shows the young men smiling for the camera while relaxing at a military outpost in South Korea during the Korean War.

That day—April 3, 1951—remains vivid in Broward's memory.

"Jackson said, 'I have something for your birthday,'" Broward recalls. "He took out a little mayonnaise jar and said 'open your hands.' Then he poured dirt from the jar into my hands and said, 'This is Downey dirt.'"

The soldiers grew up together in Downey, Calif.

Broward rubbed the dirt between his fingers before carefully pouring the hometown memento back into the jar for safekeeping. The gift was typical of Rarick, a strapping 6-foot-4 soldier with a personality as big as his frame, always in a jovial mood and cheering those around him.

Three weeks later, Broward saw his friend for the last time as they fought waves of Chinese troops on Horseshoe Ridge near Chunchon, South Korea. A mortar shell landed between them as they ran down a steep slope choked with trees and vegetation. Both were wounded, but they got up and kept running. They slid about 20 feet down an embankment where a U.S. tank waited to take out the wounded.

"The last time I saw Jackson he was loading his squad leader onto a tank," says Broward, now a businessman in Davis, Calif. (pop. 60,308).

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Pfc. Rarick, 21, a machine gunner with the 1st Battalion, 1st Regiment, was never found and is among 8,100 Korean War soldiers listed officially as missing in action (MIA). Although more than half a century has passed since the close of the Korean War—often referred to as The Forgotten War—Broward has never forgotten his fallen friend or stopped searching for him.

"It never leaves your mind," he says. "My job isn't finished yet."

A survivor's search

In 1985, Broward, and his wife, Jennifer, made their first of nine trips back to Horseshoe Ridge and began an exhaustive search to find and identify not just Rarick, but the remains of other unaccounted-for Korean War soldiers.

"People ask why I do this, but take a look at all the young faces," Broward says as he studies page after page of boyish faces of Korean War MIAs on his computer screen. "I feel privileged to have returned home. These youngsters never had a chance to live their lives."

Broward interviewed more than a hundred survivors of the Horseshoe Ridge battle to piece together what happened on April 23-24, 1951. He reconstructed maps of battle positions and talked to



Broward, 73, continues to search for the remains of his childhood friend and other missing U.S. Marines.

Korean farmers who tried to pinpoint where they had seen skeletons and GI dog tags when they played on the hill as children in the late '50s.

Broward's work led to two excavations by military search teams from the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command (JPAC) in Hawaii to try to locate Rarick and three other missing Marines.

"In this case, a veteran comes to us with an extensive research file. He had done the ground-work," says Mark Leney, a forensic anthropologist at the U.S. Central Identification Laboratory at JPAC. In July 1999, the team excavated 91 foxholes and found remains of Chinese soldiers, along with battle debris and artifacts, including a Marine Corps emblem from the front of a cap, uniform buttons, hand grenade pins, and a bayonet from an M1 rifle.

"We probably would have left it at that, but Broward didn't," Leney says. "He came up with enough information to reopen the site in 2001. We combed the hill and found lots of Chinese soldiers."

But Rarick has never been found.

Decades of devotion

"It's like my brother fell off the face of the earth," says Billie Jo Wallace, 74, Rarick's sister. "Daddy never accepted it. He kept saying 'til the day he died that my brother was coming back."

Wallace, of Palm Desert, Calif. (pop. 41,155), cries as she talks about Broward's decades of devotion to her brother and other Korean War MIAs.

"Ron, bless his heart, has sent me many pictures of the place where he thinks my brother might have been killed," she says. "It looks like a very peaceful area."

Nine years ago, Broward helped arrange a memorial service. A headstone for Rarick was set beside his parents' graves in Downey Cemetery.

"Because of my brother, Ron has gotten into the work he's doing," Wallace says. "This helps me more than anything."

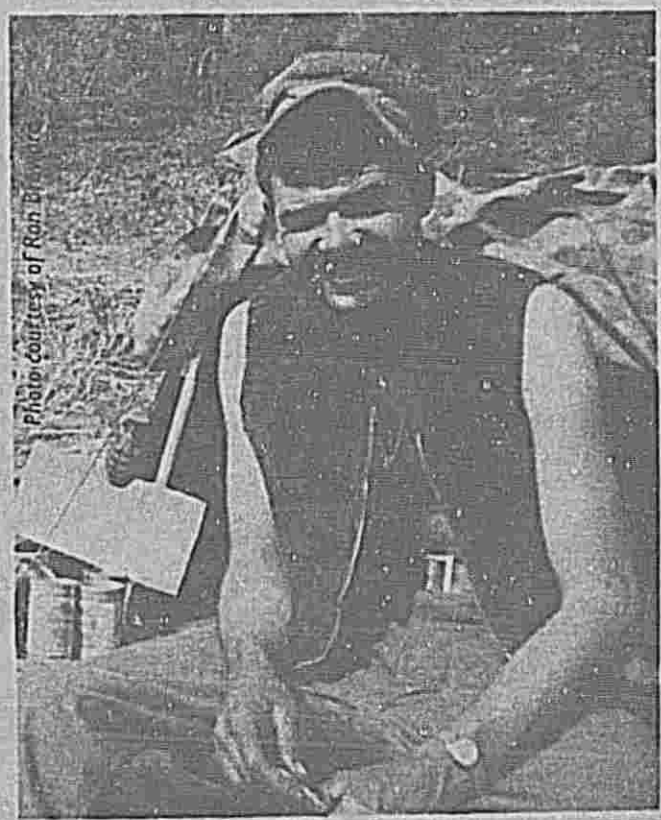
Retired Lt. Col. Robert Brockish of Lafayette, Colo. (pop. 23,197), marvels at Broward's dedication to lost servicemen. "He's put a lot of his personal fortune into this, going back and forth to Korea and Hawaii," says Brockish, a fellow Korean War veteran who helped with the 1999 dig. "He's just one tough Marine who won't let go."

Broward spends about three hours each evening poring over battle records and files of MIAs, comparing ages, heights and dental records with grid locations where remains

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Rarick, of Downey, Calif., never returned from Korea.

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were found. Several times a year he travels to the military's identification lab in Hawaii to help identify the remains of soldiers.

"We don't have anyone else quite like him," Leney says. "He started off working on the case of his personal friend, but he's become more aware and does all the cases."

"All" includes 867 unidentified Korean War servicemen who were buried in 1956 at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, also known as the Punchbowl, in Honolulu.

"Essentially, you're going through records day after day and sometimes there's a *eureka* moment," Leney says. "That was the case with Ward."

Family members of Korean War MIAs and POWs can help in the identification process by providing a DNA sample from the maternal side of the family. For information, contact the Marine Corps, (800) 847-1597; Navy, (800) 443-9298; Air Force, (800) 531-5501; Army, (800) 892-2490, or log on to www.jpac.pacom.mil.

Broward has traveled to South Korea nine times searching for the remains of his fallen friend.

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Pfc. John L. Ward, of Utica, N.Y. (pop. 60,651), was among the unknown soldiers buried at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific until being identified in September 2005 after Broward met retired Marine Sgt. Joe Peters of Concord, Mass., at a veterans' reunion.

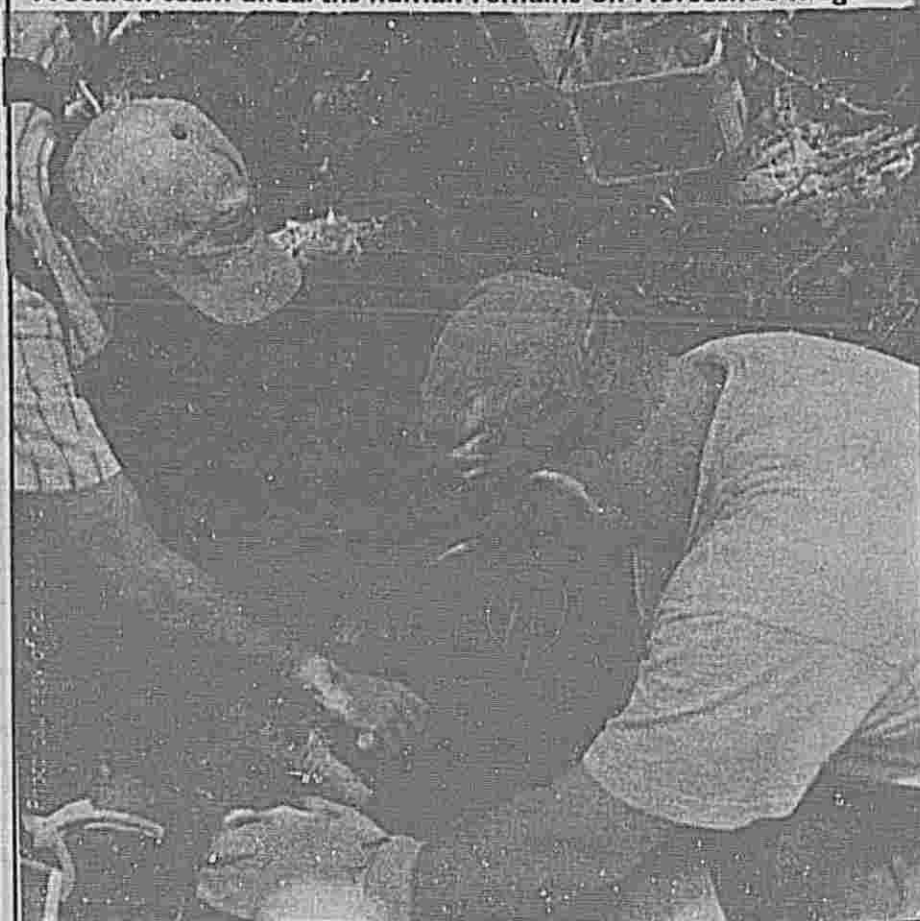
Like Broward, Peters had carried a treasured photo in his wallet for more than 50 years. Peters showed Broward the picture of Ward, who died in the foxhole beside him on Nov. 6, 1950, while fighting in Korea. Broward questioned Peters and learned that Ward had been buried at Hungnam No.1, a cemetery in North Korea. From his research, he knew that three unidentified Marines buried in the Punchbowl were from that cemetery. North Korea had returned the bodies to the United States after the war.

Forensic experts at JPAC identified Ward, in part with dental records and fingerprints that had been taken of soldiers at enlistment and post-mortem.

Ward's sister, Elenita Ashley, 73, of Titusville, Pa. (pop. 6,146), had long given up hope of bringing her brother's body home to bury. "When I got the call, to tell you the truth, I thought it was a crank. After 55 years, it was unreal," she says. "Ron is an amazing man. He has put so much time and effort into helping families like ours."

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A search team unearths human remains on Horseshoe Ridge.



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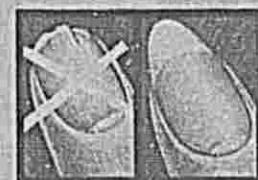
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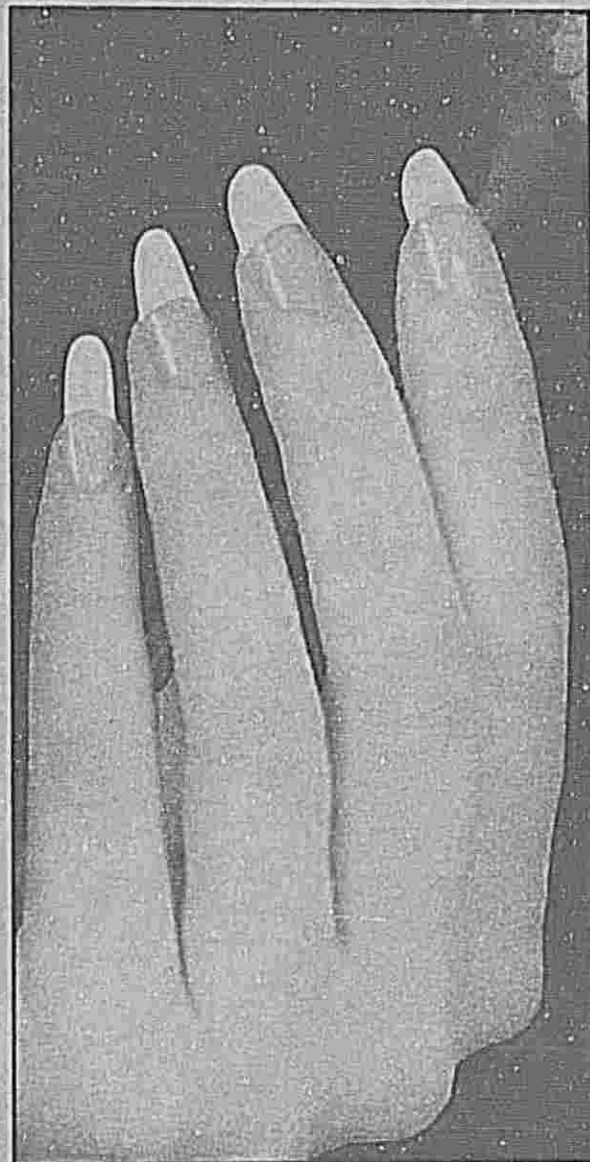
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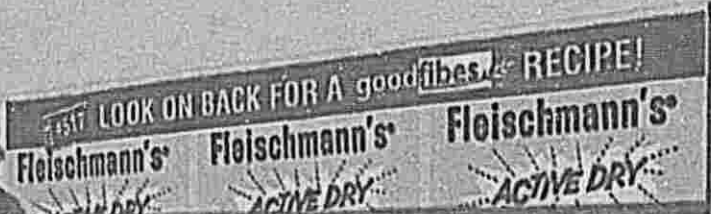
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MIX batter ingredients together in a pre-sprayed 8 x 8-inch baking dish. In a medium sized saucepan stir together gravy mix and water. Bring to a boil and simmer 1 minute, stirring constantly. Add onion, vegetables and turkey.



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TIP: Garnish with grape tomato slices and parsley, if desired.



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Broward and wife, Jennifer, live in Davis, Calif.

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Her grandson, Senior Airman Josh Ashley, 21, now serves in Iraq and escorted his great-uncle's casket home for burial last April at Arlington National Cemetery. Ron and Jennifer Broward attended the service.

"Identifying even one is a success," says Broward, who remains optimistic that he will find his own Marine buddy and bring him back home to rest in the dirt of Downey, Calif. More research has convinced him that Rarick's remains lie beneath a paved road.

"My plan is to go back and pay to dig up a section of road," Broward says. "I still think I know where my friend is." ☆

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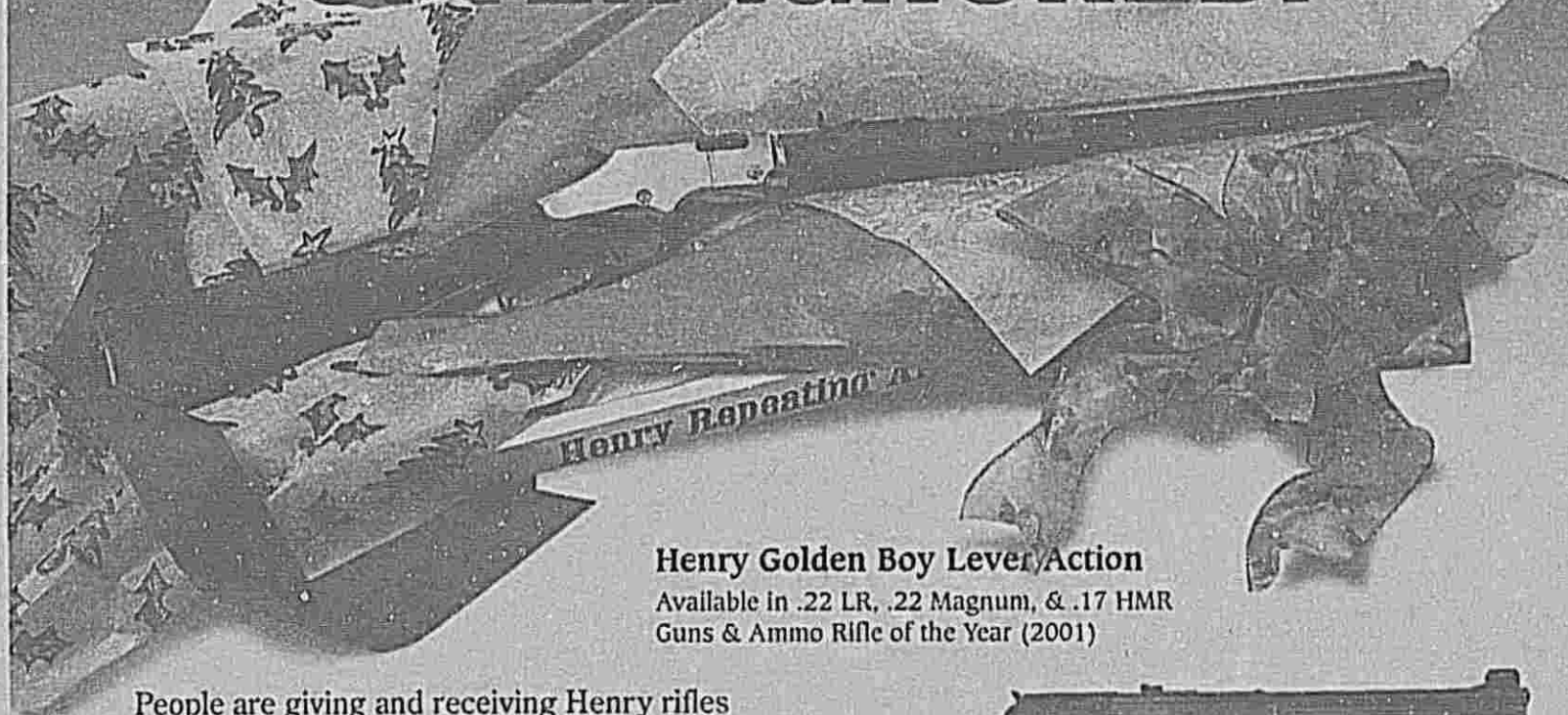
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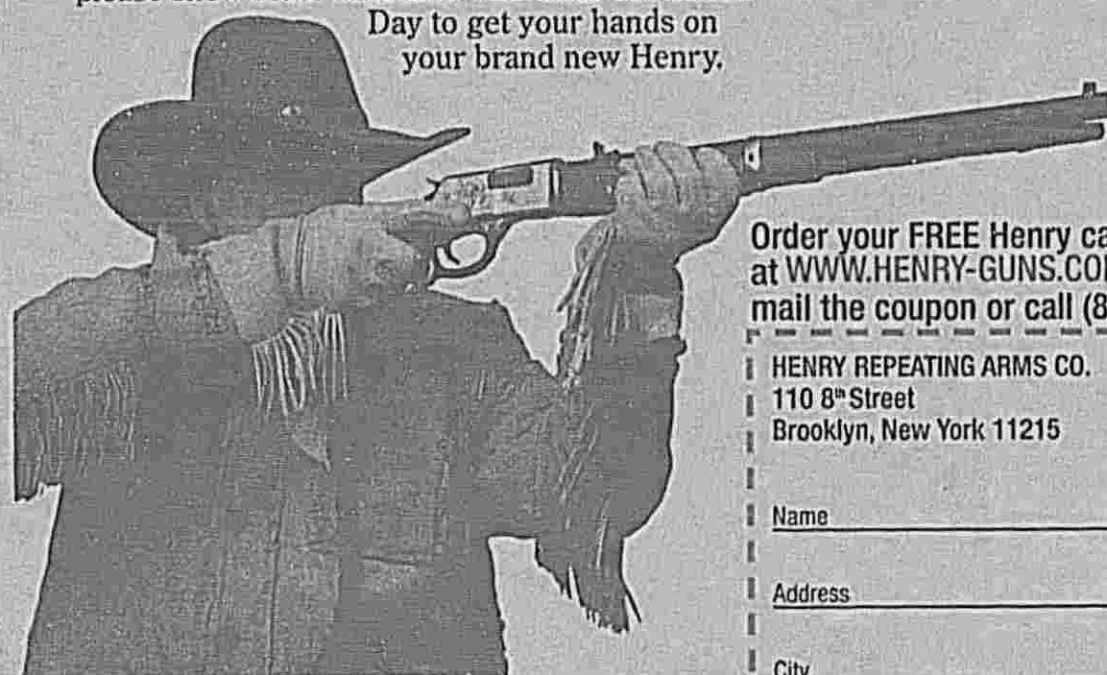
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IOWA—Alvin Straight of Laurens (pop. 1,476) wanted to visit his ailing brother in 1994 in Wisconsin, but didn't have a driver's license or good eyesight. So, he hitched a trailer with provisions to his 1966 John Deere mower and drove at 5 mph for six weeks. The trip inspired the 1999 David Lynch movie *The Straight Story*.

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NEBRASKA—In 1932, Weaver's potato chips were cooked in kettles on the stove in Ed and Phyllis Weaver's kitchen in Lincoln. They first named their snack "Weaver Brownie Vitamin Chips" and then "Weaver Potato Wafers."

NORTH DAKOTA—Little Yellow Jacket, the state's most famous rodeo bull, is a 2006 inductee in

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OHIO—The Blair Museum of Lithophanes in Toledo is home to more than 2,300 antique lithophanes, which are porcelain castings that display detailed three-dimensional pictures when illuminated from the back. The delicate lithophanes were popular in Europe in the mid-19th century.

SOUTH DAKOTA—Residents of Sioux Falls are the safest drivers in the United States, according to the Allstate America's Best Drivers Report. Motorists average one accident every 14.3 years, as compared to the national rate of one accident every 10 years.

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Italian Stuffing

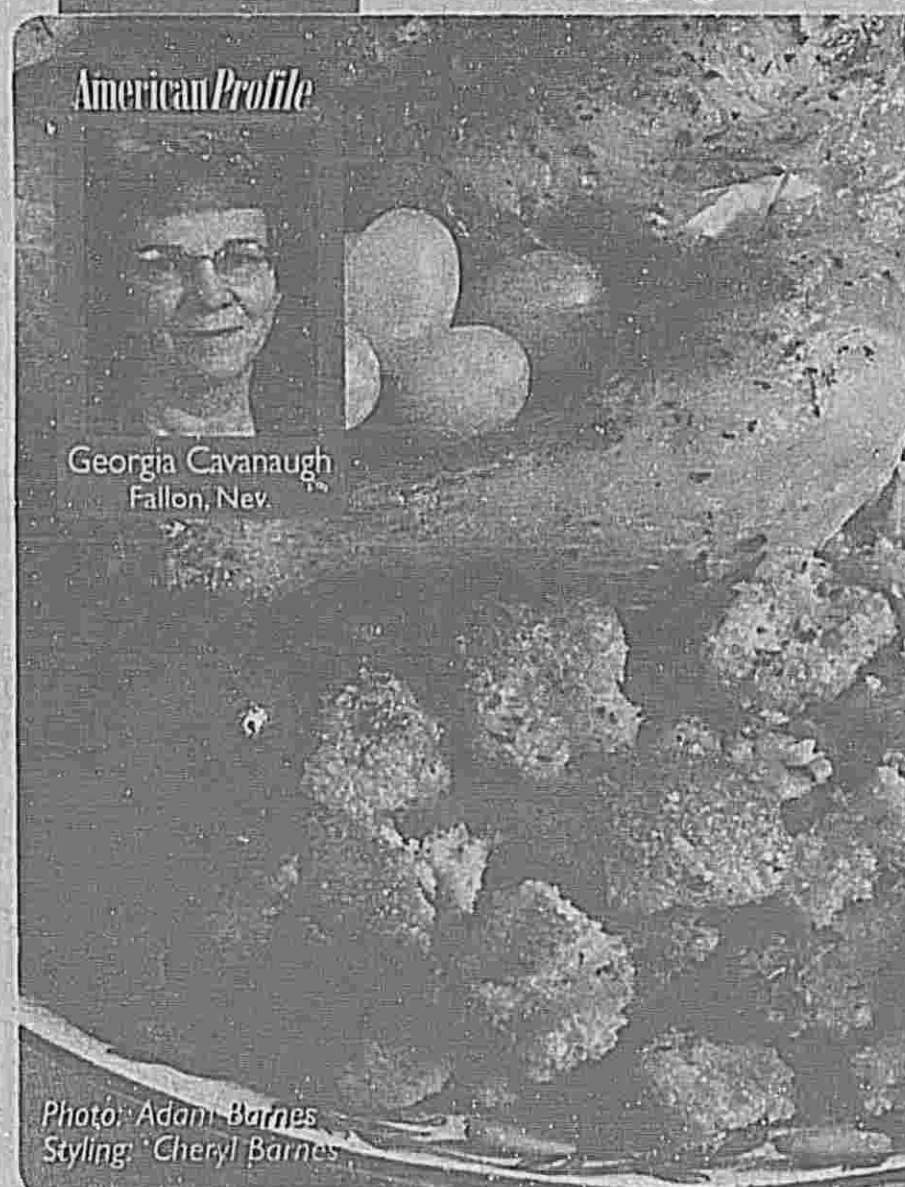
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RECIPE: Italian Stuffing



Georgia Cavanaugh
Fallon, Nev.

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Italian Stuffing

- 2 (8-ounce) loaves
French bread (not sour dough),
cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1 cup chopped fresh parsley
- ½ cup chopped onion
- ½ cup chopped celery
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- ⅓ cup chopped red bell pepper
- 1 cup grated Romano cheese
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- 1½ teaspoons salt
- 4 teaspoons dried oregano
- 3 cups chicken broth
- 1 cup margarine or butter

Preheat oven to 350F. Lightly grease a 2-quart ovenproof dish. Mix bread cubes, parsley, onion, celery, garlic and bell pepper in a large bowl. In another bowl, combine cheese, pepper, salt and oregano; combine with bread mixture. Heat broth and margarine together until margarine is melted. Pour over bread mixture; stir just until evenly moistened. Spoon into baking dish and cover with foil. Bake 45 minutes. Remove foil for the last 15 minutes to brown top, if desired. Serves 8 to 10.

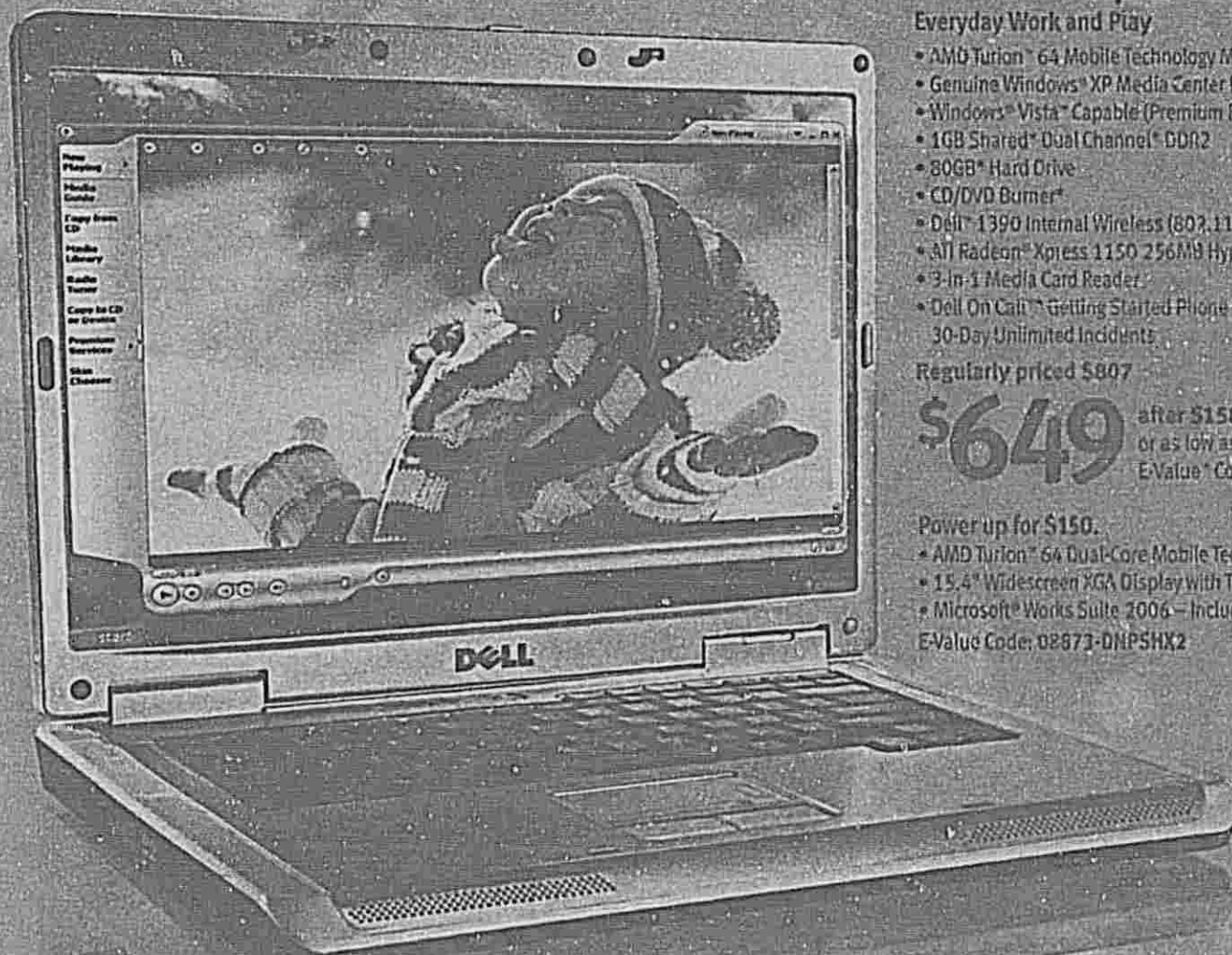


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American Artisan

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SUMMERS

Weaving Navajo Tradition

D.Y. Begay holds centuries of Navajo history in her skillful hands as she weaves earth-inspired designs on her wooden loom. Creating Navajo rugs and blankets is a way of life for Begay, who was born in Tselani, Ariz., on the Navajo Indian Reservation. Like her mother and grandmother who taught her the craft, Begay, 52, shears her own sheep, then cleans, cards, dyes and spins the wool before creating traditional and original patterns.

Following Navajo tradition, her family raises about 30 Churro sheep valued for their long and silky greaseless fleece, which is ideal for weaving. "The black Churro sheep are my favorites because of their dark lustrous wool," says Begay, who returns to Tselani for shearing each spring from her home and studio in Scottsdale, Ariz.



After shearing the sheep, she begins the laborious process of cleaning the wool and carding it to straighten the fibers. She skillfully spins the wool into fine, even thread using a traditional wooden spindle. "The quality of a Navajo rug depends on how well the wool is spun, so spinning is an important part of the process," Begay says.

As a child, she watched her grandmother collect berries, walnuts, bloodroots, cedar bark and prickly pear fruit to make dyes to color the wool. Later, her parents taught her which plants to pick, how to use insects, dirt and sand to produce the most desirable hues, and how to boil the natural materials with the wool to set the dyes.

As Begay developed her craft, she learned other dyeing techniques from books. Today, she experiments with natural materials she finds in the Arizona desert and in her travels around the world.

"People say the desert is ugly and they think there's nothing here, but the land where I grew up and live is full of lush beauty and richness from the earth," Begay says.

Dyeing wool to achieve just the right intensity and color is an art that few weavers practice today, making Begay's weaving popular with clients who commission her to create one-of-a-

Begay colors her creations with natural dyes.

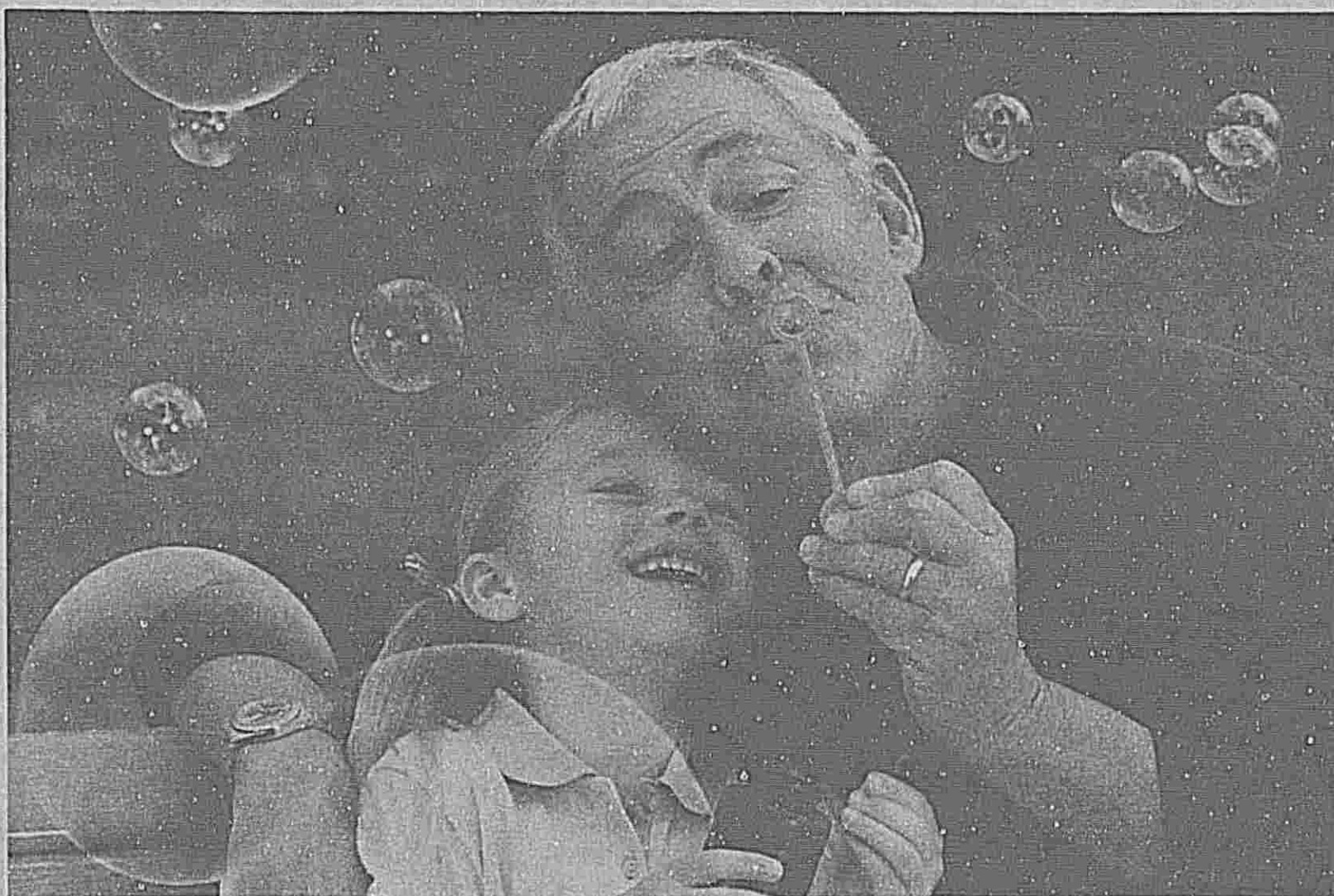
D.Y. Begay weaves
a blanket in her
Scottsdale, Ariz.,
studio.

kind designs. Depending on its intricacy and size, a single rug or blanket can take several weeks or months to complete.

Navajo women have been weaving wool rugs and blankets since the mid-1600s. Today, an estimated 5,000 weavers live on the reservation—mostly women 45 to 60 years old with grown children—and that number declines each year, says Ann Hedlund, director of the Gloria F. Ross Center for Tapestry Studies at the University of Arizona in Tucson. "Although there is no such thing as a typical Navajo weaver, D.Y.'s work is distinctive," Hedlund says, "and serves as a bridge between traditional Navajo craftswomen and modern, university-educated artisans."

After earning her bachelor's degree in fine arts and art education from Arizona State University in 1979, Begay worked as an elementary school teacher in Tucson for four years. But she missed weaving and decided to pursue it full time. Today, she shows her work at American Indian markets, art shows and galleries, and has served as a consultant to museums and private collectors around the country. She currently is teaching her nieces how to weave.

Her most recent exhibit, titled Inter-
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- The strength of ADVAIR approved for patients ages 4 to 11 years who experience symptoms on an inhaled corticosteroid is ADVAIR DISKUS 100/50. All 3 strengths are approved for patients with asthma ages 12 years and older.

For COPD associated with chronic bronchitis

ADVAIR 250/50 is the only approved dose for the maintenance treatment of airflow obstruction in patients with COPD associated with chronic bronchitis. The benefit of using ADVAIR for longer than 6 months has not been evaluated. The way anti-inflammatories work in the treatment of COPD is not well defined.

Who should not take ADVAIR DISKUS?

You should not start ADVAIR if your asthma is becoming significantly or rapidly worse, which can be life threatening. Serious respiratory events, including death, have been reported in patients who started taking salmeterol in this situation, although it is not possible to tell whether salmeterol contributed to these events. This may also occur in patients with less severe asthma.

You should not take ADVAIR if you have had an allergic reaction to it or any of its components (salmeterol, fluticasone propionate, or lactose). Tell your doctor if you are allergic to ADVAIR, any other medications, or food products. If you experience an allergic reaction after taking ADVAIR, stop using ADVAIR immediately and contact your doctor. Allergic reactions are when you experience one or more of the following: choking; breathing problems; swelling of the face, mouth and/or tongue; rash; hives; itching; or welts on the skin.

Tell your doctor about the following:

- If you are using your fast-acting inhaler more often or using more doses than you normally do (e.g., 4 or more inhalations of your fast-acting inhaler for 2 or more days in a row or a whole canister of your fast-acting inhaler in 8 weeks' time), it could be a sign that your asthma is getting worse. If this occurs, tell your doctor immediately.
- If you have been using your fast-acting inhaler regularly (e.g., four times a day). Your doctor may tell you to stop the regular use of these medications.
- If your peak flow meter results decrease. Your doctor will tell you the numbers that are right for you.
- If you have asthma and your symptoms do not improve after using ADVAIR regularly for 1 week.
- If you have been on an oral steroid, like prednisone, and are now using ADVAIR. You should be very careful as you may be less able to heal after surgery, infection, or serious injury. It takes a number of months for the body to recover its ability to make its own steroid hormones after use of oral steroids. Switching from an oral steroid may also unmask a condition previously suppressed by the oral steroid such as allergies, conjunctivitis, eczema, arthritis, and eosinophilic conditions. Symptoms of an eosinophilic condition can include rash, worsening breathing problems, heart complications, and/or feeling of "pins and needles" or numbness in the arms and legs. Talk to your doctor immediately if you experience any of these symptoms.
- Sometimes patients experience unexpected bronchospasm right after taking ADVAIR. This condition can be life threatening and if it occurs, you should immediately stop using ADVAIR and seek immediate medical attention.
- If you have any type of heart disease such as coronary artery disease, irregular heart beat or high blood pressure, ADVAIR should be used with caution. Be sure to talk with your doctor about your condition because salmeterol, one of the components of ADVAIR, may affect the heart by increasing heart rate and blood pressure. It may cause symptoms such as heart fluttering, chest pain, rapid heart rate, tremor, or nervousness.
- If you have seizures, overactive thyroid gland, liver problems, or are sensitive to certain medications for breathing.
- If your breathing problems get worse over time or if your fast-acting inhaler does not work as well for you while using ADVAIR. If your breathing problems worsen quickly, get emergency medical care.
- If you have been exposed to or currently have chickenpox or measles or if you have an immune system problem. Patients using medications that weaken the immune system are more likely to get infections than healthy individuals. ADVAIR contains a corticosteroid (fluticasone propionate) which may weaken the immune system. Infections like chickenpox and measles, for example, can be very serious or even fatal in susceptible patients using corticosteroids.

How should I take ADVAIR DISKUS?

ADVAIR should be used 1 inhalation, twice a day (morning and evening). ADVAIR should never be taken more than 1 inhalation twice a day. The full benefit of taking ADVAIR may take 1 week or longer.

If you miss a dose of ADVAIR, just skip that dose. Take your next dose at your usual time. Do not take two doses at one time.

Do not stop using ADVAIR unless told to do so by your doctor because your symptoms might get worse.

Do not change or stop any of your medicines used to control or treat your breathing problems. Your doctor will adjust your medicines as needed.

When using ADVAIR, remember:

- Never breathe into or take the DISKUS® apart.
- Always use the DISKUS in a level position.
- After each inhalation, rinse your mouth with water without swallowing.
- Never wash any part of the DISKUS. Always keep it in a dry place.
- Never take an extra dose, even if you feel you did not receive a dose.
- Discard 1 month after removal from the foil overwrap.
- Do not use ADVAIR with a spacer device.

Children should use ADVAIR with an adult's help as instructed by the child's doctor.

Can I take ADVAIR DISKUS with other medications?

Tell your doctor about all the medications you take, including prescription and nonprescription medications, vitamins, and herbal supplements.

If you are taking ADVAIR, you should not take SEREVENT® DISKUS or Foradil® Aerolizer® for any reason.

If you take ritonavir (an HIV medication), tell your doctor. Ritonavir may interact with ADVAIR and could cause serious side effects. The anti-HIV medicines Norvir® Soft Gelatin Capsules, Norvir Oral Solution, and Kaletra® contain ritonavir.

No formal drug interaction studies have been performed with ADVAIR.

In clinical studies, there were no differences in effects on the heart when ADVAIR was taken with varying amounts of albuterol. The effect of using ADVAIR in patients with asthma while taking more than 9 puffs a day of albuterol has not been studied.

ADVAIR should be used with extreme caution during and up to 2 weeks after treatment with monoamine oxidase (MAO) inhibitors or tricyclic antidepressants since these medications can cause ADVAIR to have an even greater effect on the circulatory system.

ADVAIR should be used with caution in people who are taking ketoconazole (an antifungal medication) or other drugs broken down by the body in a similar way. These medications can cause ADVAIR to have greater steroid side effects.

Generally, people with asthma should not take beta-blockers because they counteract the effects of beta₂-agonists and may also cause severe bronchospasm. However, in some cases, for instance, following a heart attack, selective beta-blockers may still be used if there is no acceptable alternative.

The ECG changes and/or low blood potassium that may occur with some diuretics may be made worse by ADVAIR, especially at higher-than-recommended doses. Caution should be used when these drugs are used together.

In clinical studies, there was no difference in side effects when ADVAIR was taken with methylxanthines (e.g., theophylline) or with FLONASE®.

What are other important safety considerations with ADVAIR DISKUS?

Osteoporosis: Long-term use of inhaled corticosteroids may result in bone loss (osteoporosis). Patients who are at risk for increased bone loss (tobacco use, advanced age, inactive lifestyle, poor nutrition, family history of osteoporosis, or long-term use of drugs such as corticosteroids) may have a greater risk with ADVAIR. If you have risk factors for bone loss, you should talk to your doctor about ways to reduce your risk and whether you should have your bone density evaluated.

Glaucoma and cataracts: Glaucoma, increased pressure in the eyes, and cataracts have been reported with the use of inhaled steroids, including fluticasone propionate, a medicine contained in ADVAIR. Regular eye examinations should be considered if you are taking ADVAIR.

Lower respiratory tract infection: Lower respiratory tract infections, including pneumonia, have been reported with the use of inhaled corticosteroids, including ADVAIR.

Blood sugar: Salmeterol may affect blood sugar and/or cause low blood potassium in some patients, which could lead to a side effect like an irregular heart rate. Significant changes in blood sugar and blood potassium were seen infrequently in clinical studies with ADVAIR.

Growth: Inhaled steroids may cause a reduction in growth velocity in children and adolescents.

Steroids: Taking steroids can affect your body's ability to make its own steroid hormones, which are needed during infections and times of severe stress to your body, such as an operation. These effects can sometimes be seen with inhaled steroids (but it is more common with oral steroids), especially when taken at higher-than-recommended doses over a long period of time. In some cases, these effects may be severe. Inhaled steroids often help control symptoms with less side effects than oral steroids.

Yeast infections: Patients taking ADVAIR may develop yeast infections of the mouth and/or throat ("thrush") that should be treated by their doctor.

Tuberculosis or other untreated infections: ADVAIR should be used with caution, if at all, in patients with tuberculosis, herpes infections of the eye, or other untreated infections.

What are the other possible side effects of ADVAIR DISKUS?

ADVAIR may produce side effects in some patients. In clinical studies, the most common side effects with ADVAIR included:

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| • Respiratory infections | • Bronchitis | • Musculoskeletal pain |
| • Throat irritation | • Cough | • Dizziness |
| • Hoarseness | • Headaches | • Fever |
| • Sinus infection | • Nausea and vomiting | • Ear, nose, and throat infections |
| • Yeast infection of the mouth | • Diarrhea | • Nosebleed |

Tell your doctor about any side effect that bothers you or that does not go away. These are not all the side effects with ADVAIR. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for more information.

What if I am pregnant, planning to become pregnant, or nursing?

Talk to your doctor about the benefits and risks of using ADVAIR during pregnancy, labor, or if you are nursing. There have been no studies of ADVAIR used during pregnancy, labor, or in nursing women. Salmeterol is known to interfere with labor contractions. It is not known whether ADVAIR is excreted in breast milk, but other corticosteroids have been detected in human breast milk. Fluticasone propionate, like other corticosteroids, has been associated with birth defects in animals (e.g., cleft palate and fetal death). Salmeterol showed no effect on fertility in rats at 180 times the maximum recommended daily dose.

What other important tests were conducted with ADVAIR?

There is no evidence of enhanced toxicity with ADVAIR compared with the components administered separately. In animal studies with doses much higher than those used in humans, salmeterol was associated with uterine tumors. Your healthcare professional can tell you more about how drugs are tested on animals and what the results of these tests may mean to your safety.

For more information on ADVAIR DISKUS

This page is only a brief summary of important information about ADVAIR DISKUS. For more information, talk to your doctor. You can also visit www.ADVAIR.com or call 1-888-825-5249. Patients receiving ADVAIR DISKUS should read the medication guide provided by the pharmacist with the prescription.

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pretive Landscapes, reflects the shapes and colors of the mesas near her high desert home. Her tapestries express a traditional Navajo love for the land. "My ultimate goal is to capture the natural beauty of Mother Earth and translate my personal vision into my work," she says.

While her patterns are based on traditional Navajo designs, Begay innovates and creates new ones by introducing variations and new color combinations. "This work represents my aspiration to plant new ideas and expressions," she says. ✨

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Q. What is the origin of this amazing heating element in the EdenPURE®?

A. This advanced heating element was discovered accidentally by a man named John Jones.

Q. What advantages does infrared quartz tube heating source have over other heating source products?

A. John Jones designed his heating source around the three most important consumer benefits: economy, comfort, and safety.

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Q. How can a person cut their heating bill by up to 50% with the EdenPURE®?

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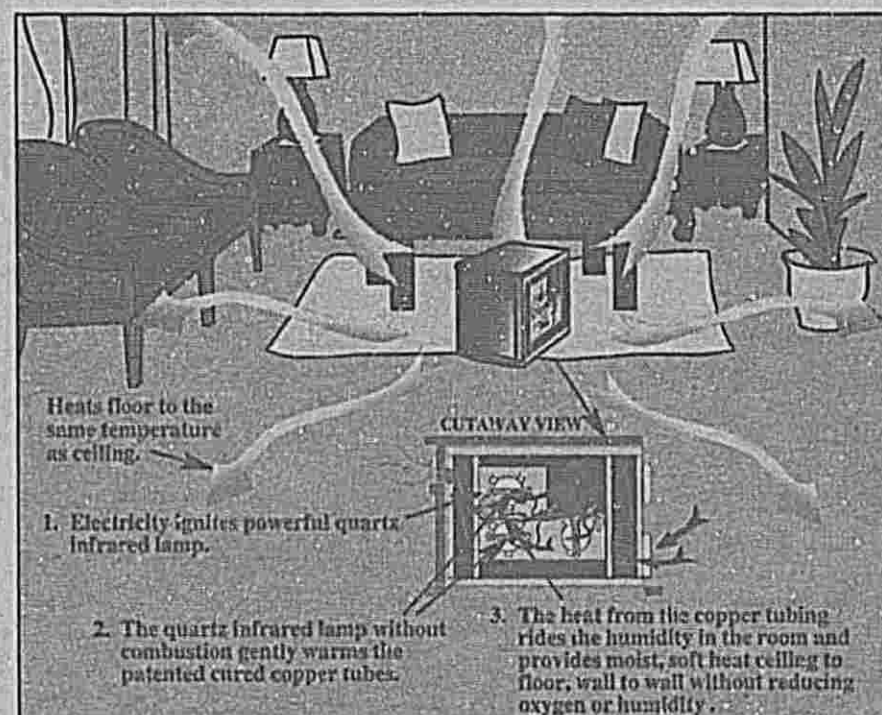
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Holiday Meal Planning for Diabetics

by ANNE GILLEM

Food is a natural part of the holiday season, so it's especially important for diabetics to develop a plan to navigate the cornucopia of culinary temptations.

"There are things that always come up in your life—weddings, birthdays, parties—but nothing is more challenging than Thanksgiving and Christmas," says Anne Daly, a registered dietitian and director of nutrition and diabetes education at the Springfield (Ill.) Diabetes & Endocrine Center. "You do want to build in some special foods and prioritize what's important to you. But keep your blood glucose front and center."

The key is to plan ahead, says Daly, a past president of Health Care and Education for the American Diabetes Association. "Say, 'I'm not going to let the holidays control me; I'm going to take control of this. I'm going to think ahead,'" she says.

Developing family and peer support is helpful, which is easier since healthy-eating tactics for diabetics are healthy for anyone. A typical Thanksgiving meal can total 3,500 or 4,000 calories, but Daly says there are simple ways to dramatically reduce that number. For example, choose white meat instead of dark meat from the turkey; cook dressing outside the bird; make mashed potatoes with skim milk or chicken broth rather than cream; serve steamed vegetables rather than fat-laden casseroles; and watch the gravy! One cup of regular gravy has a whopping 800 calories.

For both diabetics and those who entertain diabetics for holiday meals, healthier cooking options exist. Dress up sweet potatoes with small amounts of pineapple juice or apple juice instead of butter or brown sugar. Make pies without the crust. When baking, use less sugar and increase the use of sweet-tasting spices and flavorings such as cinnamon, nutmeg and vanilla. For more options, peruse cookbooks for diabetics and try recipes that include lighter versions of traditional holiday fare.

Enjoy sugary treats in moderation, and remember that sweets are not the only foods that increase blood sugar levels. All carbohydrates—including those in fruits, vegetables, beans, dairy foods and starchy foods—elevate blood sugar. Eat a variety of healthy foods. Think low-fat and sugar-free.

Daly offers diabetics these holiday meal tips:

- Talk with family members in advance and enlist their support. Tell them your goal is to keep your blood sugar level in the optimal range.
- Schedule your holiday meal for later in the day. When meals are served at noon or in the early afternoon, people tend to eat a second full meal at dinnertime.
- Make a list of "must-have" foods—for example, Mom's famous sugar cookies—and figure out how to include them in your eating plan. You may have to cut back on other foods or adjust medication. Consulting a registered dietitian or your physician can help.
- Think about your family's typical holiday meal. Ask what's going to be on the menu and determine if there are any dishes you can eat heartily. Opt for vegetables and fruits, or volunteer to bring a tray of raw vegetables or shrimp cocktail.
- Offer to host the family dinner, which gives you more control over the menu. Even if it's a potluck, provide relatives with your healthy recipes, which have benefits for everyone.
- Send leftovers home with guests.
- If you drink alcoholic beverages, limit yourself to one or two drinks and include them in your holiday calorie plan. Tea and club soda are healthier options.
- Monitor your blood sugar more often than usual. The recommended pre-meal range is 90 to 130, the post-meal peak should be less than 180 and, two hours later, the reading should be less than 140.

"What you want to do is learn from year to year," Daly says. "Look back and think to yourself what worked and what didn't."

And don't forget to enjoy yourself. After all, it's the holidays! ☆

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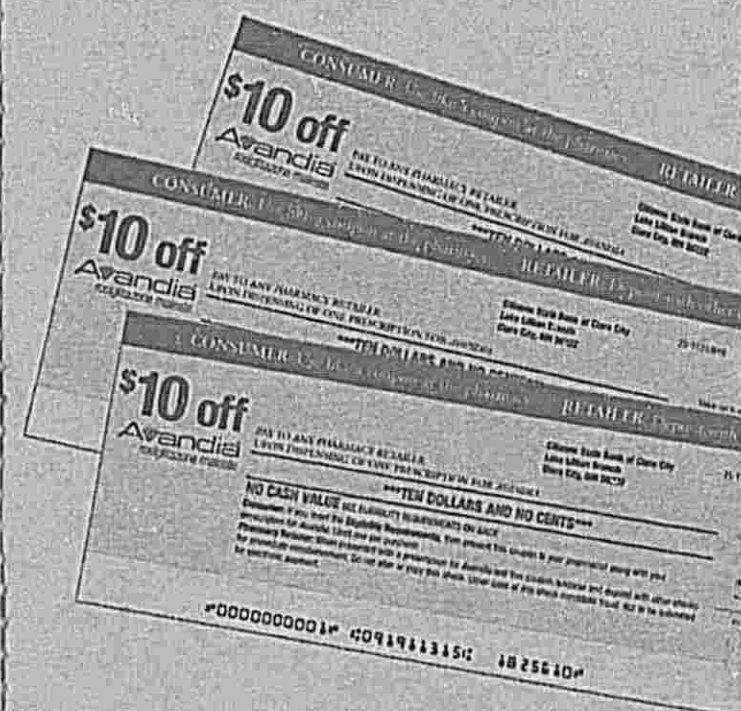
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